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First things first. Can all involved at UFO Data extend a heart felt thank you to all you wonderful people out there in UFO land for showing your support and help in making UFO Data Report a reality.

We promise to keep you informed and updated with all things ufological and ask that you keep sending your reports and research to us for publication and help make this unique publication your own.

Issue number 2 looks at Alien Abduction cases and physical close encounters. 'Is it real or is it all in the mind'? Well over the years I have met many people who claim to be 'abductees'. Some are self declared some have been told by others that their experiences are down to alien intervention and some of those told are in turn actually convinced something has happened to them.

Polls carried out in the USA show that over 8% of Americans actually believe they have been abducted by aliens and in a country the size of the USA that accounts for millions of alleged abductees.

I keep saying this but 'I don't want to sound like a debunker here, but if so many have had the abduction experience why on earth (bad pun) don't they grab an alien spoon or ash tray or something as a souvenir and then maybe we can get scientists or the media to start believing this is actually happening to people around the world as claimed.

The fact that much of the alleged experience is discovered under hypnotic regression by either a trained hypnotherapist or, often the case, by some unqualified person claiming to have hypnotic powers leaving the doors of doubt wide open.

I have been put under the stage hypnotist's power some years ago and something certainly happened whilst I was out. Apparently he told me that the next cigarette I smoked would taste like a burning tyre, I knew nothing of this until sat back with my pals in the club and lighting up a ciggy I almost threw up. It tasted just like burning rubber. So I do accept that hypnosis can input messages into an individual that work. However, how good these techniques are for pulling out blocked experiences I don't know.

This issue features cases that are not too easy to disregard. Some of the experiencers have never used hypnosis to re-live their memories but it is still all too real to them. We hope you find these cases as fascinating as we did.

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UFO Researcher, author and feature editor of this magazine Philip Mantle Presents
UK Alien Abductions

The Alien Abduction phenomenon is wrongly perceived by many to be 'An American thing'.

UK Based UFO researcher and author Philip Mantle recently presented a fully illustrated lecture on UK Abduction claims at UFO DATA's Great British UFO Show.

The lecture was recorded and is presented here on a high quality DVD.

What's more it is brought to you free of charge by the publishers of this magazine.

If you prefer a VHS copy of the lecture send £2.95 to cover p&p and mark your order
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Similar Sightings Reported across the USA During February...

Whilst checking the news services for our readers we couldn't help but notice the similarity of these two U.S sightings reported in February 2006:

Dawna Carroll doesn't believe in little green men. But she does believe in really "hot" aliens. She said she has been waiting for them to show up on earth for quite some time. That might be why she was so curious about the bright light she has seen in the eastern skies recently.

Carroll drives a street-sweeping truck during the night shift for a company in La Porte. She said the job gives her plenty of time to study the night sky. "I'm a stargazer," she said. "But I've never seen anything like this before."

NASA spokeswoman Kylie Clem said NASA had received a handful of calls inquiring about the light. That might not be a surprise, because it is probably fair to say this is the type of thing inquiring minds want to know about.

Clem said she had no information on the object. "It wasn't anything we were tracking," she said. She said it was possible people were seeing some natural phenomenon.

Carroll said she is able to see the bright light at the beginning of her shift all the way until she makes her nightly journey down the isolated stretch of Red Bluff that leads to her home in Bacliff. "I don't want to say it's a UFO, but hey, I'd buy it," she said.

Carroll described the object as looking like a big peace sign. "It has two rays of light that make it look like one of those peace signs we used to make in the '60s," she said.

Carroll admitted she has been intrigued by extraterrestrial life for a long time. She said it would be arrogant to assume we are alone in the universe. She added that she believes the aliens will look a lot different than the depictions we are used to.

Space Centre Houston Spokesman Roger Bornstein said he didn't field any phone calls about the unidentified shining object. He said he does get similar phone calls from time to time though.

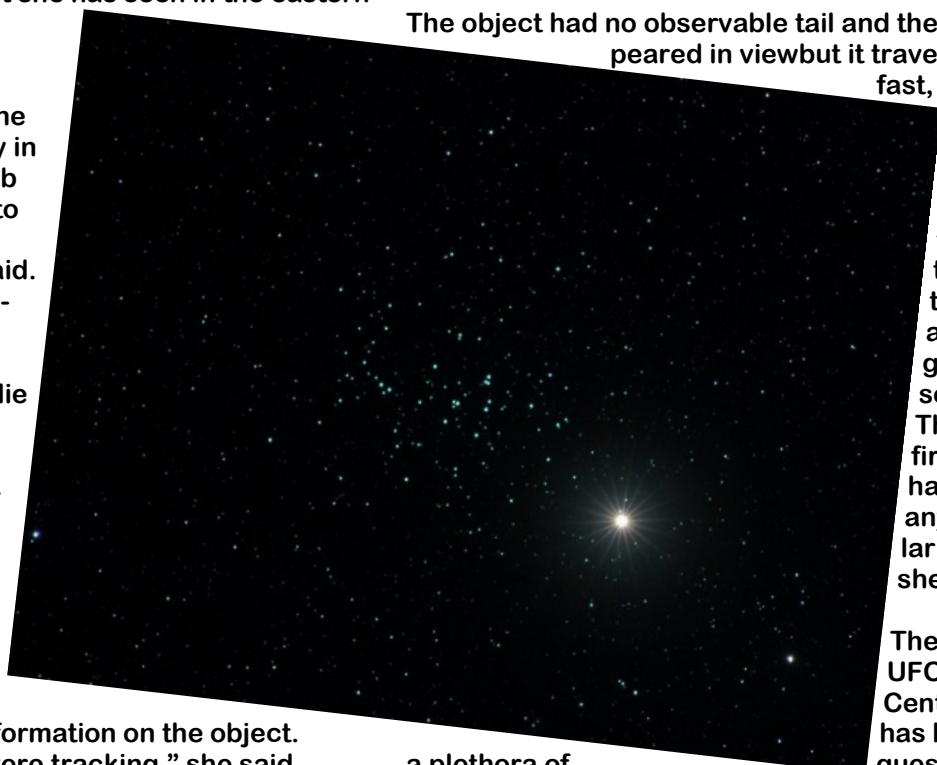
A sighting of what she describes as a large meteoric object falling from the night sky last week has an *Op-*

School Teacher reports strange object...

Ms Sonmez said she's wondering whether other people saw what looked like a fireball about the size of a full moon appear in the sky at 11:45 p.m. Thursday. Restless because her cat had not come inside, Sonmez looked out a window and saw what she said Monday was a golden ball take a short flight before vanishing into the eastern horizon.

"As it reached the horizon, I had the impression the light was swelling but there was no sound," Sonmez said. "I lifted the window to see if there were sirens or some kind of response but there was nothing."

The object had no observable tail and the time it appeared in view but it travelled very fast, she said.



The Grass Valley private-school teacher said the object travelled about 60 degrees from south to north. This was the first time she had observed anything similar in the sky, she said.

The National UFO Reporting Centre in Seattle has been fielding questions and

a plethora of reports on objects in the sky in recent weeks because of the presence of both Sirius, a bright star visible in the evening and night time sky, and the planet Venus, currently visible in the eastern sky before sunrise.

"We've been flooded, absolutely flooded by reports of Sirius sightings," said Centre Director Peter Davenport. "What they see is a bright star."

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At this time of year the cold clear nights give wonderful views of the heavens and it would not be uncommon to get reports that are mistaken celestial objects. However the second report describes a moving object and it doesn't take me to tell you that as a rule visible stars and planets stay pretty still in the night sky, unless you call the natural procession a high speed manoeuvre.

One little pointer here for wearers of spectacles - Varifocal lenses are very popular these days and a quick glance at a bright object in the night sky can be distorted by the variance of the lens.

Whatever the witnesses saw was to them unusual enough to file a report.

Photo Credit Saturn in the hive Jimmy Westlake Colorado mountain college.

LEEDS PREMIER UFO EVENT OF 2006

SAT 21ST & SUN 22ND OCTOBER 2006

Once again UFO DATA are proud to host The Great British UFO Show here in the city of Leeds and thanks to your brilliant support at last years event the 2006 show will be held over two days.

Twice the information, twice the entertainment and twice the fun.

Four information packed lecture presentations on both days and a top class entertainment is booked for your enjoyment on the Saturday night all included in your ticket price.

The UFO subject is never quiet, it might not be reported in the mainstream media these days but big money has been spent on documentary series like 'The UFO Files' from the satellite broadcaster The History Channel, so someone somewhere feels the need to keep the public aware of happenings extra-terrestrial.

We have lined up an interesting mix of speakers for you, covering many aspects of this wonderful subject, so book early and reserve your seats for two full days of UFO mania courtesy of www.ufodata.co.uk and UFO DATA Report...

THE VENUE

Leeds Rugby Supporters Club will once again be our chosen venue for this year's event. Set in the Headingley Rugby and Cricket complex the venue offers access to local trains and buses along with ample free parking and access to many cheap and friendly hotels.

There is a hotel on the complex and to book a room you will need to ring early. It has 36 rooms and these go pretty quick.

The event will be held on Saturday 21st October & Sunday 22nd October 2006

At the request of many of last year's delegates the main conference auditorium will be a no smoking venue but smokers will be able to make use of the adjoining bar area for a quick fix. As last year we will have a licensed bar available throughout both afternoons and on the Saturday night we have arranged professional entertainment for those delegates who wish to spend the evening with us in the club.

We have also arranged an option on the booking form for delegates to pre-order a packed lunch for the Saturday and Sunday breaks, but please be aware this must be ordered at the time of booking as we can't guarantee that you will be able to purchase on the day.

Check the booking form on the opposite page and choose a regular or vegetarian option.



TIMETABLE & BOOKING INFORMATION

SATURDAY	SUNDAY
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9:45 SPEAKER ONE	10:00 SPEAKER ONE
11:15 SPEAKER TWO	11:30 SPEAKER TWO
12:30-1:30 LUNCH BREAK	1:00-2:00 LUNCH BREAK
1.30 SPEAKER THREE	2:00 SPEAKER THREE
3:00 BREAK	3:30 BREAK
3:30 SPEAKER FOUR	4:00 SPEAKER FOUR
4:45 Q&A	5:15 Q&A
5:30 CLOSE	5:30 CLOSE

INVITED SPEAKERS

ANDY ROBERTS

TONY TOPPINGS

ALAN FOSTER

MAURIZIO BAIATA

(ITALY)

ODD-GUNNAR ROED

(NORWAY)

RUSSEL CALLAGHAN

PHILIP MANTLE

SACHA CHRISTIE

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TIMETABLE WILL APPEAR ON OUR
WEBSITE www.ufodata.co.uk
and in the next issue

**DOORS OPEN FOR
ENTERTAINMENT 7:00**

The on-site hotel is The Headingley Lodge. It is a premier travel lodge and delegates can make their own arrangements for rooms by telephoning the following number. 0113 2785323

If you wish to do an internet search for alternative accommodation the venue is situated in Headingley, Leeds and its post code is LS6

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SUNDAY 22nd October 2006 £15.00

WEEKEND Sat & Sun £25.00

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MEXICO UFO

Scott Coralles is well known across the internet for his South American UFO reports. He is a great asset to the UFO Community as he arranges translation of first hand interviews with witnesses into English making the reports accessible to a world wide audience.

This report from Chihuahua, Mexico.

According to the witness, he was travelling by bus across the Mexican state in question on his way to a wedding. The bus crossed the village of Creel toward the region known as Divisadero in Barrancas del Cobre. As a panoramic view of the landscape can be obtained from a lookout on this tourist attraction of the Sierra Tarahumara, he decided to take some photos with his Sony DSC-P150 digital camera.

Lacking an additional digital card, he said that on that very same evening of October 18, he rented a computer in Creel to deposit the photos into files on his Yahoo account. It was not until November 3 that he had access to the Internet and realized that an object suspended in mid-air was visible in one of the images – an object not visually perceived by Ramirez and his party.

Eyewitness Account of Mr. Demetrio Ramirez

"I really don't know what it could be, as the object appears to be at a certain distance...I don't believe that it's a tree leaf, since it appears to be very high up, nor insects, given the apparent distance. I'm also dismissing the possibility of a spot or dust on the camera lens, since it does not appear on the other images we took on that date.

"Unfortunately, we erased the photos from the camera's memory, since we needed space for the follow-

ing day. I say unfortunately as some have said that its a trick photo or that the object was superimposed.

"I didn't submit the photo earlier, since I don't believe it to be of great significance when compared to other materials...in any event, regardless of its nature, I am sharing this image with Prof. Ana Luisa Cid, leaving the



matter to her respected discretion."

Ana Luisa Cid's Opinion

For the time being I believe the photo to be real and that it probably suggests the transit of an unidentified flying object over the Sierra Tarahumara, cautioning that this material was received by me on January 31, 2006. Applying my basic



knowledge of photography, I have been unable to find any digital alterations to the image and the automatic data put forth agree with Mr Demetrio's account, adding that the image was taken at 1:17 p.m., according to the date, employing a normal exposure setting and an ISO 100 speed.

The eyewitness's objective stance, as well as his openness toward research, lead me to think that this could be a genuine case.

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Digital cameras are not fool-proof and can record unusual artefacts in their memory that were not visible to the photographer. What makes this picture interesting is the shape of the object. It is neither square or angled, if it was caused by a camera chip fault you would not expect to see an irregular shape like this.

However if it was added post exposure the object could be any shape its creator preferred...



MEXICO CLASSIC CASEBOOK

UFO DATAs media reviewer Steve Johnson reports of a recently transmitted 'UFO FILES' History Channel documentary that concentrates on Mexican cases.

As you will see in a later article in this magazine not everything presented as ufological from the Mexican shores stands up to scrutiny and the lack of a paper trail for an incident reported in 1974 may weaken a very good case.

UFO FILES

Mexico's Roswell

The History Channel, Sunday 19th February, 2006



cies listened in to Mexican military radio and heard that the plane had been found just outside of Coyame, in the Chihuahua province of Mexico. Shortly afterwards, reports came in of a second wreck, but this was no plane.

What they found was a silver, disc-shaped object, about sixteen feet in diameter and five feet thick. It appeared to be slightly damaged in a couple of places, but apart from this, it was intact. Immediately, the Mexicans ordered for radio silence and the airwaves fell silent.

American surveillance flights monitoring the area from low altitude found that the Mexicans had loaded the UFO onto a flatbed truck, but something appeared to have gone wrong. Bodies were scattered around the area. The next day, four helicopters (three Hueys and a Sea Stallion) departed from Fort Bliss and crossed the border into Mexico.

On arrival at the stalled convoy of

trucks, the Americans, clad in bio-protective suits, found all of the Mexicans dead. While it is not known what killed the men, the theory that the cause was some sort of extra-terrestrial biological agent is a favourite among ufologists. The US squad found the UFO strapped to the back of the flatbed truck and it was quickly lifted by the Sea Stallion and flown to the United States. When the saucer was safely out of the way, the bodies, plane wreckage and vehicles from the Mexican team were placed together and incinerated with high explosives. The Americans then beat a hasty retreat back to their base.

It is not known where the UFO was taken, but Atlanta, Georgia, Fort Bliss in Texas and Wright-Patterson AFB in Ohio have all been suggested. The Coyame crash-retrieval case, though, remains largely unknown and un-investigated. Jaime Maussan claims to have been told about rumours of photographs of the site at the time of the crash and that he has been promised them. He is still waiting for their receipt and fears that those in possession of them are afraid to come into the light.

Mexico's Roswell was another fascinating and entertaining episode from the *UFO Files* series. Mexico's love affair with UFOs appears to continue unabated, despite sceptical attempts to derail the constant stream of clips and photos that seem to emerge every day from that enigmatic nation.

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In 1974, an incident occurred in Mexico that equals in terms of drama any in the history of the UFO phenomenon. Yet this event, which has become known as Mexico's Roswell, is almost unheard of.

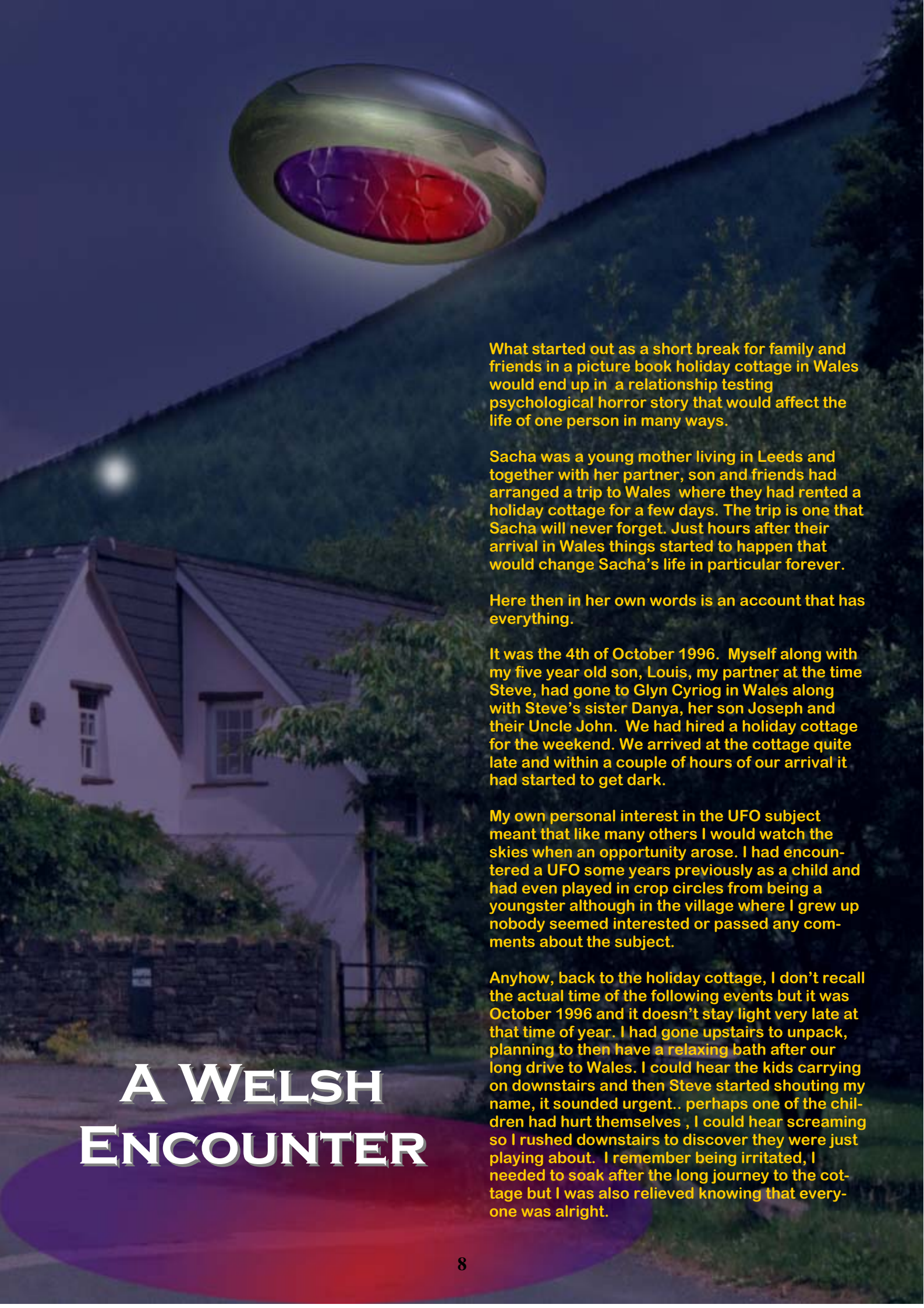
On 25th August, 1974, shortly after 10PM, US radar tracked an object speeding across the Gulf of Mexico at 2500 miles per hour at an altitude of 75,000 feet. It appeared to be on a course for Corpus Christi, Texas, until it suddenly veered to the left and began a zigzag course into Mexican airspace. After travelling another 500 miles, the object suddenly vanished from their radar screens.

Less than an hour later, a civilian aircraft was reported as missing from the same area that the UFO had disappeared from.

The next day, a Mexican recovery team began a search of the desert for the missing aeroplane. A couple of hours later, US intelligence agen-



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A WELSH ENCOUNTER

What started out as a short break for family and friends in a picture book holiday cottage in Wales would end up in a relationship testing psychological horror story that would affect the life of one person in many ways.

Sacha was a young mother living in Leeds and together with her partner, son and friends had arranged a trip to Wales where they had rented a holiday cottage for a few days. The trip is one that Sacha will never forget. Just hours after their arrival in Wales things started to happen that would change Sacha's life in particular forever.

Here then in her own words is an account that has everything.

It was the 4th of October 1996. Myself along with my five year old son, Louis, my partner at the time Steve, had gone to Glyn Cyriog in Wales along with Steve's sister Danya, her son Joseph and their Uncle John. We had hired a holiday cottage for the weekend. We arrived at the cottage quite late and within a couple of hours of our arrival it had started to get dark.

My own personal interest in the UFO subject meant that like many others I would watch the skies when an opportunity arose. I had encountered a UFO some years previously as a child and had even played in crop circles from being a youngster although in the village where I grew up nobody seemed interested or passed any comments about the subject.

Anyhow, back to the holiday cottage, I don't recall the actual time of the following events but it was October 1996 and it doesn't stay light very late at that time of year. I had gone upstairs to unpack, planning to then have a relaxing bath after our long drive to Wales. I could hear the kids carrying on downstairs and then Steve started shouting my name, it sounded urgent.. perhaps one of the children had hurt themselves , I could hear screaming so I rushed downstairs to discover they were just playing about. I remember being irritated, I needed to soak after the long journey to the cottage but I was also relieved knowing that everyone was alright.

I found Steve standing in the garden. I asked what he was shouting me for. He gestured to the night sky, "look at that" pointing at the distant clouds. I looked but could see nothing. He insisted that he'd seen something so I stood for a while trying to focus on what he could see. It was dark and cloudy and I seemed to be missing the point. Eventually however I saw a slight flicker. It was really far away, I can't be sure how far but it must have been several miles as I recall.

Once my eyes had become accustomed to the light I was able to lock on to the distant object and observe it without further difficulty. It appeared to be a grey-white light, just flickering above the clouds. It came a little closer to our position and as it did, its shape grew clearer. We could see that it was not a regular aircraft or star, and there was a uniformed pattern to the way it was lighting up. Still it was too far away to comment with any certainty that it wasn't something explainable. Then something happened. It started to accelerate but was travelling in a zigzag fashion, like it was following a valley or river. It wasn't moving very fast but it was heading our way taking almost ten minutes to reach our viewpoint, unlike other encounters I have heard where witnesses tell you the object just appeared this thing actually travelled to us and we watched it do so.

By this time, everyone was outside and getting quite excited. We didn't feel scared at all, more exhilarated. In a strange way it was what I'd been searching for since my childhood encounter. I was happy, this was a real close encounter with something fantastic and it soon became obvious this was an encounter with something not of this earth.

In the excitement I remember my partner Steve phoning our housemate back home to tell him what was going on. He wasn't home but we left an answer phone message, we heard it later at home you could hear us all shouting and screaming.. "What the hell is it?" "What's going on?" and "Oh my god!"

By now the object, (and *we could see it was a craft of some sort*) was

now directly above us. It must have been seventy to eighty feet in diameter. It had a light in the centre and a light around the edge which was rotating. Also there were lines of light travelling in a circular motion but which almost looked like the underneath of a mushroom. It reminded me of a neon jelly fish. Through the different densities of the cloud it seemed to ripple, but I knew it was just the effect of the lights on the clouds. We had moved to a small hill away from the house it was a higher view point with a hedge border, trying to get a closer look.

Nothing unusual happened, (*if you call staring at a 80ft Flying Saucer nothing unusual*), we were all just stood there watching it rotate.

Then something caught my attention and made me turn to look behind our group. I saw a second craft, much smaller and much lower to the ground. It was shrouded in some sort of mist so I couldn't see the actual nuts and bolts of it, so to speak. It flashed a grey white light just like the main craft did earlier, maybe once every other second, just pulsing. I remember saying, "Oh look, there's another one" to which everyone looked around and said, "Oh, yes" and promptly got on with the business of watching the huge craft above our heads.

There was no fear among us, nobody was thinking, "Oh my god we are surrounded", nothing like that, it was as if thoughts like that just didn't enter our minds.

Then my five year old son, Louis, started to tug on my jumper quite fiercely. I looked at him and his face was ashen and his eyes were wide open.. I mean wide open. He said, "Mummy, a hand just came through the hedge and touched my foot, I saw it with my eyes, it was not my imagination." Although he was only five, under the circumstances it was easy to believe him. I said to Steve, "Right lets get the kids inside, they're starting to get upset by this, Louis is freaking out now!" I told Louis, I believed him and assured the children this was nothing to worry about, everything was fine and the lights were just reflections on the clouds from a farmers tractor. I don't think they

believed us for a second! We just didn't know what else to say!

We all returned indoors, even though the objects were still visible. Can you believe it? Six individuals in the middle of a fascinating UFO encounter and we bottle it and go back inside. John, the senior member of our party, was singularly unimpressed by the whole thing and claimed it to be the Aurora Borealis (Northern Lights). Nonplussed by the earlier events John and Danya settled down to watch TV, John reaching for his whiskey. I can't remember exactly what happened next but I must have said something that upset Danya because she started screaming at me (family holidays, great fun) and left the room slamming the living room door as she left. The two boys went into the play room in the cottage and Steve started to wash up. I couldn't believe it. Here we were in Wales with two bloody UFOs outside and everyone's behaving as if nothing at all had happened. I just stood there in a state of utter amazement.

To this day I have no idea what possessed me to do what I did next but I decided to go back outside on my own. I walked back up the garden to where we had all stood watching the large UFO. For some reason the second craft had gone from my memory completely. As I stood there, I remember talking to them (I say them.. it..) "Well? Then in my mind, 'What are you going to do now?' What's the impressive display of lights.. for?" I was kind of challenging them/it. I've no idea how long I stood there, several minutes, when I heard rustling foot-steps behind me.

The ground wasn't hard packed, it sounded hollow almost. What I heard was two feet running, (it reminded me of my son running across his room). Something grabbed the back of my jumper as it ran past, tugged it. No way would a farm animal have come so close to me, running so fast... especially not on two feet. From that point I don't remember much aside from running in a total blind panic. I can remember jumping off two steps but I later realised how far I was away from the house.

I think I remember that because it was a danger point, it was like I had to be aware so I didn't miss my footing. I was in a total blind panic. I shot into the kitchen and stood there babbling at Steve like a crazy person. He wanted to go and look, but I wouldn't let him. I remember him saying, "You haven't been out there long". I must admit, it didn't help! I was shaking and almost wild with fright.

The enormity of what I had done sank in, I couldn't believe I would be so stupid as to go outside on my own and stand directly underneath it. I can remember thinking, "Stupid, stupid, stupid" over and over in my head. I made Steve close all the curtains and doors and lock them. It was my only defence. We put the kids to bed and I sat in the middle of our bed, shaking. I couldn't be left alone and I certainly wouldn't go to the loo on my own. Danya and John were still watching TV as I recall. I don't really remember what they were doing. I was just freaking out and wanted to stay in the bedroom. I don't even know what time it was but everyone had by now had retired to bed. It wasn't too long after I'd had the panic attack, maybe an hour, that I experienced something that has troubled me since. Why did everybody, almost casually, go to bed when the two UFOs were still outside the cottage? Hard to believe I know, but the two craft were still there.

The next day we considered all possibilities from the ridiculous to the sublime. We all went for a really long walk to the top of a nearby hill to see if there was anything about. Nothing, just hills and valleys. We looked on a map for the nearest town, hoping there could be a nightclub with spectacular lasers on the roof. There was nothing in any direction for 16 miles, the nearest town being Wrexham. The rest of the weekend was a total disaster. John drank all weekend, he was argumentative and Danya was screaming at every little thing, a hysterical wreck. She was so bad at one point that I threatened to hit her if she didn't shut up, I meant it too.

I was fraught to say the least and Steve was bemused by the whole thing. It got so bad that we phoned

a taxi and sneaked off at four o'clock the following morning, in a taxi to Wrexham, to get the coach home. The thought of being in that car with them all the way back to Leeds was not something I relished. It was dreadful. I couldn't stop crying. My son Louis was very quiet, not like his usual exuberant self. He was five and heavily into his Power Rangers but not this day.

When we arrived home, things were no better. I had to sleep with the light on. I couldn't walk into a dark room. I had to swing the door open really quickly, checking that nothing was standing behind it and if there was I would knock it into the middle of next week before I switched on the light. I remember starting to run upstairs and realising the landing light was off, I would have to run back and switch it on before I could go up them.

It took nine years of my life before I was able to discuss the events of that weekend in Wales with anyone and it wasn't until June of 2005 that I spoke of this encounter openly.

I have considered regression but I'm not willing to put myself in the hands of someone who wants to be known as a regressional therapist for abductees. I don't want to strengthen their career, I only want to know what happened to me and my family that October night in Wales.

I have had a major struggle with my life since that event and I am only now coming to terms with it, seriously. Since then I have not returned to Wales. I am hopefully going back later this year, to the actual place where the encounter took place I am going with friends and we hope to take photographs of the area and to film the whole trip. I want to see how I react, I want to try and remember what happened afterwards. After researching the subject, and talking to John Hanson, Dennette France and especially Jason and Anne Andrews, I know those UFOs and their occupants we encountered back in October 1996 didn't just fly away and leave us be. I believe both my son and I were actually touched physically by creatures from the craft, creatures from another world. Creatures so

advanced over us they could have hurt us, taken us - in fact they could have done anything.

Were they selective in how members of our party were allowed to react to the encounter? Could they somehow control the thought process in each observer's mind in a different way? Was I chosen to be their contactee for the night?. Let's face it, everyone else actually walked away from the sighting, none were interested in the second craft I saw behind me. Was this second craft key to the events Remember the others went indoors while there were two UFOs outside our cottage. They were so close that we all knew exactly what we were looking at, but even then the magnitude of the events did not register with all our party, only I seemed to be aware of the reality of it all.

What do you do when you encounter two very real, very large close-up UFOs in a remote village in Wales, go to bed?

It could just be that this was what the unidentified visitors wanted.

I don't know that if any of our group were abducted, I have no memory of it. I do however have a catalogue of psychological problems, and very typical changes in attitude similar to what some abduction cases report. I recycle everything, even vegetable waste, I am a spiritualist now and I have a sense of faith and belonging I never had before.

I have gone from hating ET's and not being able to watch *Close Encounters* or anything involving UFOs to feeling love for them and watching and reading everything I can about the different aspects of the subject. What caused this change? I have no idea. Is it because I have come to know them and to love them or do they use a technique that implants thoughts and memories they want you to experience. Or do they not take you physically but as Jason Andrews suggested during a lecture by him and his mother at the Great British UFO Show in Leeds last October, they take you astrally?

Or did they just fly away and leave us be?! Somehow, I don't think so.

Unfortunately I am no longer in touch with any of the people involved. It might not be impossible to track down my former partner, Steve, although I can't say with any certainty he'd be willing to comment. It left its mark on us all. Our relationship didn't last very long after this event unfortunately.

This was a very personal encounter and you have to be so convinced of events being real to be able to openly share them with people you have never met.

I find the recollections of Sacha very real I can also relate the events to another very 'in the news' case. Larry Warren has come under much criticism from researchers and debunkers of the famous Rendlesham Forest Incident of Christmas 1980, but what Larry recalls, seeing a small object shrouded by mist almost on the ground and his memory of small, humanoid creatures standing by this object has much similarity to Sacha's encounter.

Even down to the fact that those other witnesses with Sacha did not see or experience the grabbing of legs by something and seemed to pay no attention to the event afterwards. Likewise for Larry Warren nobody else recalls seeing the creatures or even seeing Larry at the site, could it just be the same type of selective memories being allowed to stay

with the observer, controlled by the occupants of these wonderful machines we call UFOs.



Sacha's story caught the attention of BBC Radio Leeds...

UFO DATA appreciate what it must take to go public with claims such as these. But whatever happened that Autumn evening left a lasting impression on Sacha and her son.

I dare say the others involved in the case have flashbacks of what they actually saw that night and even if the events were dismissed from their minds out of a fear of the unknown there will be quiet moments when a flash of light or a strange sound brings the memories of October 1996 flooding back.

Sacha would be interested in sharing her experience with others and we will happily forward any email or postal correspondence to her via... UFO DATA. P O Box 280 Leeds LS26 1AN or email to info@ufodata.co.uk



Sacha seen here enjoying a chat with 'Abductee' Jason Andrews at the Great British UFO Show.

ABDUCTEE SUPPORT



MARY RODWELL *Co-Founder*
ACERN

The main aim of **ACERN** is to provide information, establish support groups, carry through professional referrals, raise the public's awareness about **THE ACERN**, network with organisations Australia-wide and overseas and to have a register of qualified professionals, counselors and therapists who can provide the necessary support for those with encounter experiences. In fact, within such a short amount of time, the Abductee/Contactee Support Group has expanded its horizons into an organization, which now comprises representatives and support from several of the healing professions.



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Throughout this issue of UFO DATA Report we explore various claims from individuals of interaction between unknown objects and unknown creatures from situations that the individual can't explain.

Across the world there have been numerous accounts of confrontations with strange creatures not all readily associated with the UFO phenomenon. In the following article Steve Johnson looks at several accounts of weird creature encounters...

UFOs and Weird Beasts

Everybody knows that the study of the UFO phenomenon mainly concerns the investigation of sightings of lights and unexplained objects in the sky, abduction reports and the like, but there is another aspect to UFO lore that is less well-known – that of the strange beasts (aside from the Greys and other alien-type beings we are familiar with) that often accompany UFO incidents.

Many of these weird creatures are famous in and of themselves, but it is their connection with unidentified flying objects that we shall explore here.



BIGFOOT

People have been seeing 'wild men' all over the world for centuries, but it is the Sasquatch or Bigfoot of the American North-west that is the most notorious. Probably the most famous account of a Bigfoot sighting is that of Roger Patterson and Bob Gimlin. They cap-

tured the creature on film in 1967 at Bluff Creek, California and, though the film is still controversial, this incredible piece of footage has yet to be completely debunked. We are concerning ourselves here, though, with the creatures' relationship with UFOs.

In February, 1974, a woman was confronted on the doorstep of her Pennsylvania home by a Bigfoot (they are not solely exclusive to the NW Pacific coast states). She shot at it from a distance of about six feet, but instead of keeling over dead, there was a bright flash and the creature vanished. Her son-in-law reported seeing other Bigfoot (the word is both singular and plural) at the edge of nearby woods, with a bright, red flashing light hovering above them.

In 1973, again in Pennsylvania, a 22-year old man saw a red orb come down in a field. Taking two 10-year old boys to investigate, they saw the object hovering just above the ground. Close to the UFO, stood two Bigfoot-like creatures that possessed glowing, green eyes and long, dark hair. The man fired his rifle over their heads and when they failed to react, he fired directly at one of the creatures. It raised its hand and the UFO disappeared. The Bigfoot then walked slowly into nearby woods.

In 1991, Wisconsin farmer, Rita Massman reported that a few days after a UFO sighting, a Bigfoot came onto her land and stole several chickens. Her children reported being chased by a '8- or 9-foot tall, brown, 400-500 pound creature having a monkey-like face'.

CHUPACABRA



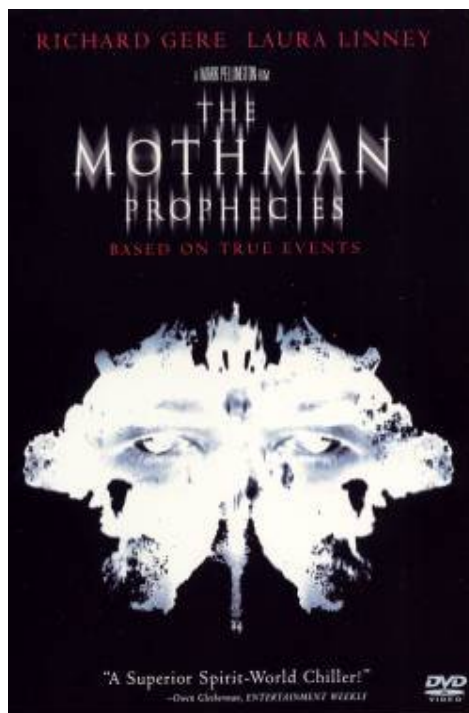
The Chupacabra, or goat-sucker, entered the public eye in the mid-Nineties, but the legend goes back to 1975, when a creature known as the Moca Vampire was held responsible for slaughtering animals on the Caribbean island of Puerto Rico. Ducks, goats and even cows were found completely drained of blood. There was a spate of UFO sightings at the same time. The creature itself, though, was never seen.

Then in 1995, the island was victim to another wave of animal deaths. At first it was mainly goats that were found drained of blood through a single puncture wound, hence the name, el chupacabra – the goat-sucker. It didn't take long for other animals to be found exsanguinated and this time, there were even sightings of the beasts responsible.

Many witnesses have reported a four or five-foot tall bipedal creature, with large, black eyes, long dorsal spines, large fangs, the ability to fly or jump to great heights and being able to dematerialise at will. They are also often reported at the same time as UFOs are witnessed.

To this day, sightings persist and they are no longer restricted to Puerto Rico. The same or similar creatures have been seen in Mexico, Texas and many other US states, Chile and Brazil.

MOTHMAN



In the late-Sixties, the town of Point Pleasant, West Virginia, was the centre of a mystery that became a best-selling book and later, a major motion picture, *The Mothman Prophecies*.

People began reporting electrical interference with their home appliances and often cars would cut out for no reason. Lights would be seen hovering above the town, but particularly over an old TNT plant. People also reported seeing the Mothman.

This bizarre creature was described as possessing large, red eyes; standing between five and seven-feet tall; having dark, possibly grey or brown, skin; huge, bat-like wings with which it could ascend vertically and hover for long periods; and a terrifying, screeching call.

Although the bulk of Mothman sightings took place in 1966-67 in the West Virginia area, prior to the Silver Bridge disaster that claimed forty-six lives, witnesses are still coming forward with stories of large, bat-like creatures all over the world. Has the Mothman moved on to pastures new?

Curiously, the Mothman of Point Pleasant may have an earlier incarnation. In November, 1963, two young men and their girlfriends were walking near Sandling Park, Saltwood, Kent in the south of England. They observed a bright object that resembled a star descend into trees and begin moving through them. The UFO came to a halt close to them and disgorged a creature that resembles the Mothman reports. It shambled towards them and they described it as black, headless (some Mothman reports suggested that its red eyes were very close to the shoulders) and with wings like a bat.

THE SKINWALKER

In Navajo culture, a skinwalker is a medicine man that will don animal skins to perform magical or ritual

ceremonies. Other Native American tribes claim skinwalkers to be able to shape-shift into wild animals, such as wolves. Skinwalkers have been known to 'haunt' an individual for years until the day the person dies.

One case links skinwalkers with UFOs like no other and that is the case of the so-called Skinwalker Ranch in Utah. For fifty years the ranch has been the site of UFO sightings, Bigfoot reports, ghost and poltergeist encounters and all manner of paranormal phenomena.

The ranch was bought by the National Institute for Discovery Science (NIDS) in 1995 from a family that had owned the property for only twenty months. They had reported all of the above phenomena and also cattle mutilations, giant wolves that vanished into thin air and could survive direct hits from rifle fire and the vaporisation of the family dogs after they chased blue orbs.

NIDS set up video cameras that were destroyed by unknown forces; they observed UFOs in the night sky and witnessed unknown animals appearing out of 'tunnels of light'.

Las Vegas newsman, George Knapp and NIDS scientist, Dr. Colm Kelleher, have written a book about the ranch entitled *Hunt for the Skinwalker*.

These are just a small selection of the strange creatures that have been associated with UFO sightings over the years. As we continue to receive reports of Grey aliens or Nordic aliens or other beings that to all intents and purposes resemble us, save for cosmetic differences, perhaps we should consider that most intelligent beings in the uni-

verse will bear little to no resemblance to us and may have capabilities that would appear nothing short of magical.



ON YOUR FREE DVD

The free DVD included with this Issue of *UFO DATA* Report features a lecture presentation by Philip Mantle.

Philip is our features editor and is known around the UFO Community for his written and TV work.

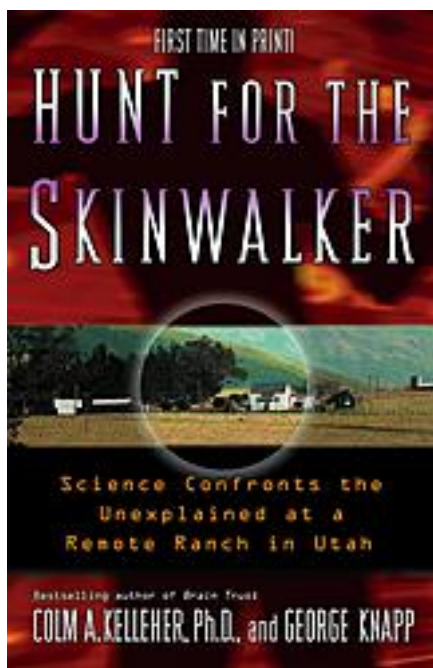
The lecture recorded at The Great British UFO Show held in Leeds October 2005 was a presentation of UK Alien Abduction cases. One of the featured cases took place on Ilkley Moor, the individual involved managed to photograph an alleged 'Alien creature'.



Remember when this photograph was taken home PCs where the likes of a Sinclair Spectrum and not capable of being used to create photo realistic images, so either cut and paste techniques or actual models are the only way this image could have been hoaxed.

If this is a model it is the size of a child. Not easily carried over the bleak Yorkshire Moors for a discreet photo shoot.

UFO DATA...



Readers Letters & Emails...

Dear Russ

I am just writing to let you know that I received the 1st issue along with a free CD, I was pleasantly surprised, The magazine is like a miniature version of the old UFO magazine, it had a lot packed into the issue, I Enjoyed reading it very much, you and your team should be very proud of yourselves, along with the website. You've given ufology in Britain a well needed breath of fresh air,

I think if you carry on the way you are it wont be long before ufodata is on the news stands, where it deserves to be,

Graham will also be looking down on you feeling very proud, excellent first issue.

Anthony Wharton Email.

Wishing you every success for a much needed UFO Magazine.
Michael Toms, Derbyshire.

Great to know you are back (I've never been away honest) and can we both wish you and your team all the very best of luck with the new magazine.

Val & Fred Allsop Birmingham.

Good to hear about the new UFO Magazine. All the best.
Dr David Clarke.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all the best with future issues of UFO Data.
S Davies, West Midlands.

Great News Russ.

Good luck with the new magazine and I hope to be able to contribute to your readers.

Dr Roger Leir

Just heard about the new Magazine project. Great News please send me a copy.

Nick Redfern

I've just seen your advert in the latest Nexus Magazine and would like to say 'Well Done' to you and your team for keeping the spirit of UFO Magazine alive.

Tell your readers to keep an eye on Betty Meylers UFO Society of Ireland Website as she is holding a weekend conference in September at Carrick on Shannon.

Very best of luck with UFO DATA.
Dermot Butler & Carl Nally.

Thank you to all you great people out there who are making UFO DATA Report a reality.

To be able to bring you a full sized A4 format magazine we will need substantially more subscribers but the way people are finding out about the publication and trying it out means we might well be able to go 'full format sooner than expected.

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UFO DATA Report is your magazine, it is the only specialised UFO title printed and published here in the UK but it is aimed at UFO enthusiasts and researchers alike around the world.

UFO DATA ISSUE 3

The theme for issue 3 will be Alien Creatures

Mothman, Yeti, Owlman, Nordics, Greys and Reptilians have all been associated with this subject at some time...

GETTING INVOLVED

There are many people around the world who have had encounters with the UFO subject and there are many more who have not. The chances of being in the right place at the right time are indeed slim but if you want to up your chances of actually seeing something unusual then take time out to watch the skies. Clear night skies are fascinating and even in today's crowded communities there are places where the light pollution is not so bad and you can sit back in the car or outside and study the view. It's a good idea to check your view point during the daytime too, this way you can familiarise yourself with the local air traffic so as not to confuse night time navigation lights with unknown traffic.

Arm yourself with a camcorder a digital camera and a big flask of something warm and take note of what you see. Satellites are impressive, they look like moving stars but will travel a very steady arc across the sky, if the object deviates (zig-zags) get filming and taking notes. Most occasions will be uneventful ufologically, but you will still see wonderful sights on clear cold nights.

Get into the habit of keeping your camera in the glove box or if you go walking take it with you, you never know when an opportunity will arise, if caught without remember most mobile phones have a camera fitted.

Why not share your sky watching experiences with us, drop us a line or email to mag@ufodata.co.uk

Happy Sky Watching...

WW1 PILOTS REPORT UFOs



In issue one of UFO DATA Report we ran an article that featured 'Mystery Airships' being observed from the east to west coast of the United States, in the closing years of the 19th century. Whether or not the observers saw unidentified flying objects, early heath kit built airships or both we will never know, but just a few years later, it seems the early pilots of the Royal Flying Corp also encountered strange phenomena in the skies over post victorian Europe. Here Dr David Clarke takes a look at reported encounters from those magnificent men in their flying machines...

BRITAIN'S FIRST MILITARY UFO ENCOUNTER?

Reports of unidentified flying objects by the crews of military aircraft form some of the most challenging evidence for the existence of 'exotic' aerial phenomena. Strange flying objects have been frequently reported by pilots since the time of Kenneth Arnold's sighting which ushered in the 'flying saucer' craze of 1947. A lesser known fact is that long before Arnold's sighting made world headlines, British naval and air force pilots were

reporting 'close encounters' with strange flying objects to intelligence officers at flight debriefings.

Reports by bomber crews of strange lights and rockets over the European and Pacific theatres during the 1939-45 conflict, dubbed 'Foo-fighters' by the Americans, formed part of the testimony considered by the early US and British inquiries into saucer phenomena. The Foo-fighter mystery of WW2 is usually the starting point for discussions of UFO reports from military sources. However, it is a little known fact that similar reports of aerial phenomena, which today would be called 'unidentified flying objects,' were also made by pioneer fighter pilots of the Royal Flying Corps and the Royal Naval Air Service (RNAS) during the First World War. One of these appears to be the very first encounter reported by a military pilot with an unidentified flying object.

From the commencement of hostilities in 1914 the British War Office and the newly-formed Home -

division of the Secret Service Bureau - which became known as MI5 in 1916 - began to receive many reports of enemy aircraft and moving lights above the British coastline. The possibility that German spies were using sophisticated signal lights to communicate with the crews of Zeppelin airships was a very real possibility at this period of great tension and fear. As a result, when real air-raids against Britain led by squadrons of German airships began in 1915 the British Government decided to crack down upon what it called the "false reports" of phantom airships and signalers.

One year later, GHQ issued a secret Intelligence Circular which concluded there was "no evidence on which to base a suspicion that this class of enemy activity ever existed." It said an investigation by Intelligence officers had satisfactorily explained 89 percent of the reports received and the authors attacked "the groundless rumours regarding the presence of hostile airships over Great Britain which of late have become very frequent." In addition, the Military Authorities decided to impose severe penalties upon what it called "irresponsible persons" who were originating and circulating such stories. They would be dealt with, it threatened, "under the Defence of the Realm regulations" which included imprisonment.

Within months of the secret report's completion, 'phantom' aircraft were reported by the Britain's own pioneer fighter pilots who were attempting to defend a vulnerable London from night-time raids by the dreaded Zeppelins. Early in 1916 a mysterious light in the sky was spotted and chased by a pilot of the Royal Flying Corps on patrol above the capital. On the night of January 31 the crews of nine Zeppelins of the German Navy left their sheds on the Continent with orders from their commanding officer, Peter Strasser, to "attack England middle and south."

With their giant hydrogen-filled envelopes weighted down with explosives and incendiary bombs, the squadron of aerial monsters crossed the North Sea with plans to attack industrial targets in England.

These included the important steelworks in Sheffield and Liverpool docks. However, the plan was thrown into chaos by atrocious weather conditions of freezing rain, snow and thick ground mist which shielded much of the countryside from the air and made accurate navigation impossible. Amidst much confusion secondary targets in the North and the Midlands were bombed including Birmingham, Burton-on-Trent and Scunthorpe, leaving 71 people dead and 113 injured.

Despite the confusion, the War Office was able to plot the precise course of all nine raiding airships and it has been established that none of the enemy ventured further south than the Norfolk Broads. Because initially at least one of the raiding Zeppelins turned south after crossing the East Anglian coastline, the War Office calculated that if the course was held they would be over London at 8.10 p.m. Orders to this effect were sent to the fighter aerodromes defending the capital, one of these being Hainault Farm, four miles north of Romford in Essex.

At 7.40pm Lieutenant R.S. Maxwell arose from Hainault Farm aerodrome in his BE2C fighter but saw nothing unusual until 8.25 when according to his report:

"...my engine was missing irregularly and it was only by keeping the speed of the machine down to 50 mph that I was able to stay at 10,000 feet. It was at this time when I distinctly saw an artificial light to the north of me, and at about the same height. I followed this light northeast for nearly 20 minutes, but it seemed to go slightly higher and just as quickly as myself, and eventually I lost it completely in the clouds."

At around the same time Claude Ridley, the pilot of a second BE fighter, reported seeing what he called "a moving light" in the sky over London which he followed and lost in dense cloud. It is a possibility that both Maxwell and Ridley had caught a fleeting glimpse of each other's biplanes, but it was impossible for them to confirm visual contact without radio sets. During the air-raid 16 British pilots took off in a desperate bid to engage the high-flying Zeppelins, but according to

the surviving records not one succeeded in engaging the enemy. At this stage in the air war, few people outside the embryonic army and navy flying corps - which merged to create the RAF in 1918 - had any real idea of the problems involved in night-time interceptions, with take offs and landings being particularly hazardous procedures. Two of the RFC's most experienced pilots lost their lives during the course of the night, when the flimsy aircraft collided with fog-shrouded trees during their attempts to become airborne.

Confusion, inexperience and bad weather may well account for Maxwell's sighting. But what happened next, just 20 minutes later, makes an altogether different - and far stranger - interpretation of that night's events a distinct possibility.

Some 20 miles east of Hainault Farm was another of London's fighter aerodromes at Rochford in Essex. It was from here at 8.45pm that Flight Sub-Lieutenant J.E. Morgan arose for an anti-Zeppelin patrol in his BE2C fighter. Morgan, in an official report to the Admiralty, said that when he reached 5,000 feet he saw a little above his own altitude and slightly ahead to his right, about 100 feet away from his plane, "a row of what appeared to be lighted windows which looked something like a railway carriage with the blinds drawn."

Believing that he had flown directly into the path of a hostile Zeppelin preparing an attack upon Central London, Morgan drew his Webley Scott service pistol, aimed and fired several times in the direction of the "railway carriage." Immediately, "the lights alongside rose rapidly" and disappeared into the inky blackness, so rapidly in fact that Morgan believed his own aircraft had gone into a dive. By now Morgan had completely lost his bearings, and after a lengthy battle to bring his aircraft under control he was forced to make a crash landing on the Thameshaven Marshes.

A full account of Morgan's sighting, dubbed "an encounter with a phantom airship" appears in Captain Joseph Morris's official history of the German air raids, *The War in the Air*, published in 1925. The book

was compiled from then classified records, and Morris refers directly to the airman's report filed with the War Office. Extensive searches of the Royal Flying Corps and Royal Naval Air Service records at the Public Record Office have failed to locate Morgan's original report. The station log from Rochford aerodrome does give brief details of Morgan's flight with the addition of the word "Zepp" which shows the pilot and his station commander believed he had had an encounter with something he took to be an enemy airship.

Morgan's report is not included in the official account of the 31st January, 1916 raid published by the War Office which charts the movements of the Zeppelins and the attempts by British fliers to intercept them in great detail. Historians have been left with the impression that the authorities gave no credence to his report. Here we have the first evidence of what has become a long tradition on the part of the War Office, and its successors the Air Ministry and today's Ministry of Defence, of 'down-playing' reports by military pilots of unidentified flying objects.

There was, in fact, additional support for the claim that an airborne object of some kind was present over London during the air raid. A fourth RFC pilot, McClelland, reported seeing what he described as "a Zeppelin" caught briefly in the glare of searchlights above London at 9 pm, 15 minutes after Morgan's encounter.

McClelland's report was in fact the subject of a comment by the Third Sea Lord, Rear-Admiral F.C.T Tudor, who dismissed it in one single paragraph which reads: "night flying must be difficult and dangerous, and require considerable nerve and pluck, but this airman seems to have been gifted with a more than usually vivid imagination."

Historians of the Great War have used the phrase 'phantom airship' to describe inexplicable aerial phenomena. In later years broadly similar sightings were categorised by the largely baffled Air Ministry as 'ghost planes' and 'flying saucers.' Almost a century later we are no closer to explaining what was independently reported by four experienced pilots long before the phrase "UFO" was invented.

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Whilst conventional aircraft are often the identified source of many UFO reports we must point out that modern jet aircraft fly some seven miles plus above the earth and jet engine noise is silent to the land based observer.

However, Zeppelins, although the ultimate hi-tech vehicles they were at the turn of the century needed four or six giant and primitive diesel engines to trundle them through the skies at around 50-60 mph. and super-bright anti-collision lights were decades away from being invented. Even then to the untrained observer or someone seeing one of these gigantic flying machines for the first time must have found the experience 'novel' to say the least or terrifying at worst.

Their physical size alone hardly made for early stealth technology.

So I suspect if an airship was in the skies close enough to be seen, it would by its presence be identifiable to a flyer of the day...

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ENCOUNTER IN PANAMA

This issue concentrates on actual reported encounters with either objects or creatures of an unknown origin by individuals brave enough to share experiences that will bring scorn and ridicule from some and comfort and understanding from others.

The claims made in these encounters suggest that in some of the cases individuals have been taken against their will by unknown forces and returned at their captors' leisure.

We are talking about 'Alien Abduction.

UFO DATA accepts that there are some people whose imaginations are indeed overactive and that some claims are pure invention or produced through drug abuse or mental illness.

Then there are cases like the one that follows:

It takes a lot of courage to sit in front of some of ufology's leading voices and talk for over four hours about the experience you and your daughter have gone through for over twenty years and to do so with conviction. What follows is a transcript of that interview recorded by Russel Callaghan in December 1999 in Acapulco, Mexico.



ALIEN ABDUCTION

A never-heard-before encounter from Central America.

A mother blessed with a new baby daughter soon realises that something about her child is special – very special.

The following account is based upon an interview with the mother and daughter conducted in Mexico on December 11th, 1999 in the presence of Graham Birdsall, Russel Callaghan, Roger Leir and Whitley & Anne Streiber. The names of those featured in this recollection are pseudonyms.

Salma is a teacher of anthropology and had no interest in the subject of UFOs. Indeed, when a friend of hers told her that she saw a UFO in 1976, Salma thought she was crazy, so when what you are about to read happened to her, she became angry and confused. Her husband at the time, a doctor and lawyer from a wealthy South American family, refuses to talk about the incident to this day. Salma's own family is very wealthy also, so she has no interest in any monetary gain from her story.

One day, in the summer of 1977, Salma and her husband, whom we shall call Enrique, were travelling from Costa Rica to Panama in Central America. The couple left San Jose, Costa Rica and were driving to Salma's uncle's home in Panama. They had a camper van and were taking in the sights of the region along their journey.

One night, at about 9 or 10pm, they parked up at the border crossing between Costa Rica and Panama and began settling in for the evening. It was a dark, moonless night with no cloud cover. Nevertheless, it was very warm and there was no wind to temper the heat. Inside the camper, it was much more oppressive, as there were only, small, high windows and a single door. Salma had been warned about guerrillas in the region and so chose the camper, feeling its lack of large openings would make them safer.

As Enrique parked the van, Salma went to get him an orange juice. She asked him where they were and he replied jokingly, "We're in

the Land of Nobody", as they were in the hinterland between the border control offices of Costa Rica and Panama.

When he had parked the camper, Salma's husband exited the cab and entered the rear section where Salma was holding his orange juice. Suddenly, he began making bizarre noises with his mouth. As there was a history of stroke in his family, Salma feared that this was what was happening to him now. She became very frightened, as they were alone in this no-man's land between nations.

Salma asked if there was anything she could do for him, but he quietly sat down and continued to make the strange, baby-like noises. She asked if he wanted his orange juice, but he just carried on burbling.

Just then the lights in the camper flickered off and then came back on again. Thinking the battery was failing, she went to the switch for the spare, fully-charged battery. When she flicked the switch, the lights went out completely. Salma asked Enrique what was happening, but he did not reply.

Looking outside, towards the Costa Rican side of the border, she saw that the lights in the offices had also gone out. She turned to try and find some candles and noticed on the opposite side of the border, that the lights in Panama were also extinguished. At first she thought that this was due to a failure of the power grid, but how would this affect the batteries in their camper?

The night was completely still and dark now. Salma was terrified, she felt so alone at that point. She thought her husband was seriously ill and was not sure about what to do. Her husband was mentally a strong man, she said. At parties, his favourite trick was to hypnotise people and have them doing 'cuckoo things' for fun. But now, he was just sitting, babbling softly, in the dark.

In this uneasy quiet, Salma heard something outside, like a car pulling up on gravel. Suddenly, incredibly bright light flooded the

camper van. She thought that somebody had come to their aid, turning on the floodlights in the parking area.

Salma looked outside and saw what she thought at first were military tanks with bright lights on them. As there was no war going on in either Panama or Costa Rica, she did not know what to make of the presence of these machines. Whatever their reason for being there, she was grateful for the light they provided.

Salma opened the kitchen window and peered out. She could hear somebody outside making the same noises that she had heard Enrique uttering moments earlier. Suddenly a figure passed in front of the window. Salma could not make out any features, but assumed they were soldiers connected with the tanks. She realised that they must be very tall, as her window was quite a distance from the ground, about two metres high.

Salma went into the cab of the van and saw about a dozen of these figures milling around outside. She also noticed that the lights on the three 'tanks' were rotating. She became frightened and pleaded to Enrique, telling him that they were surrounded by these strange, thin figures. She could see now that they were wearing what appeared to be silvery-yellow suits, had large heads and large eyes that reminded her of cows' eyes. She could see no nose or mouth on any of the figures. She got no impression of any emotion from the beings and described them as being like machines. Bizarrely, the figures she could see outside now appeared quite short, yet she had seen at least one of them looking through her window about six feet off the ground.

Becoming even more afraid, Salma began shouting for help and that is the last thing she remembers. She does not know what happened next, but suddenly, she found herself lying on the floor of the camper.

As she got up, she heard a loud, watery, sucking sound and the lights shot away vertically at an incredible speed.

She then became aware of a strong smell of cinnamon and burnt honey, so strong that it was very unpleasant. Her nose was running profusely and she had a pain in the back of her head. She got up and began to cry, grateful that the beings and their craft had gone.

Enrique was still sitting in the same position, but had by now stopped making his peculiar noises. She asked him what had happened, noticing at the same time that all the doors of the camper were now open, having been previously locked tight from the inside. As she got to her feet, Salma felt a pain in her abdomen and described it as being 'like a hot knife'. Again, she asked Enrique what had happened. He said:

"Something very important has happened here tonight and we will never talk about it. We'll just accept it."

Salma could not believe what she was hearing him say. She asked him if he had seen what they had done, how their craft had flown away so quickly. She had recently learned to fly helicopters and knew all about aerodynamics and what was possible at that time. He simply repeated that they should not talk about it. He told her that she should be proud about what had happened. Salma was not proud of what had happened. She was angry. She wanted to know what had happened. Was she going to be alone with these feelings or was he going to help her? Enrique said nothing, simply took his orange juice and went to bed.

Salma curled up on her seat and began to cry. She cried until she fell asleep.

Early the next morning, she awoke. Surprisingly, she found that she had left the doors to the camper open all night and she was usually the kind of person that could not sleep with any doors or windows open. She closed the doors and took a shower. She said she felt dirty and still angry. She felt that she had been violated, although she had no physical evidence of abuse of any kind, save for the ache in her head and the pains in her abdomen. Her husband told her not to think of such things.

Later that morning, the couple went to the offices on the Panamanian border. Imagine their surprise when one of the personnel announced to them:

"You're the couple that was attacked by the OVNI's last night!" (OVNI being the Spanish term for UFO - Objeto Volador No Identificado)

Salma was so relieved that somebody else had seen what had happened to them. Her joy was squashed when her husband told them that they had not seen anything and ordered her back to the camper. Not being the type of person who takes orders, Salma remained and asked the three people in the border control office what they had seen. They confirmed that UFOs had come down and attacked them. The offices were only about a hundred metres from the camper, so they had seen everything. Enrique had to physically take her back to their vehicle and again told her that they should not talk about what had happened the previous night.

When they entered Panama proper, they found that the newspapers were reporting that the night of their experience had been 'a hot night' for UFO sightings in Panama. Salma's uncle told them about a story in the newspaper about a couple on the border being attacked by UFOs. Salma couldn't believe it.

"That was us!" she declared. "We saw nothing," was Enrique's response.

Salma still had the pain in her abdomen two months later and was keen to see a doctor, but Enrique was adamant that they should wait until they return home to Mexico. She said that she would go herself and fly back to their home. Her husband said that they would go together and by road.

So, they began the return journey to Mexico, by way of Enrique's aunt's house in Costa Rica. While they were there, the pains in Salma's belly became unbearable and she asked her if she would take her to her gynaecologist.

The doctor examined Salma and congratulated her on being pregnant. Salma was horrified and ex-

plained that she had had no sexual relations to account for the pregnancy. An internal examination was arranged and the gynaecologist extracted from Salma's body a clear, crystal capsule with some sort of green fluid inside. The doctor sniffed the capsule and said that it was not there because of any infection.

Salma became upset and said that it must be connected with that night on the border. Enrique said that it was a mistake for them to see a doctor. She told the doctor that she felt that the beings had placed that inside her body, but did not understand for what purpose. The doctor asked if she wanted to keep it, but she told him to throw it away.

When the doctor confirmed that she was still pregnant, Salma was terrified that she would give birth to some non-human creature like a snake or lizard.

As soon as the capsule was removed, all of Salma's pain vanished, but she was very upset and told the doctor that she had been violated, that she never asked for these 'people' to come and make her pregnant. She had been raised a devout Catholic and could not understand why those around her could tell her to simply accept this. She felt so alone and confused. Her family was famous in Mexico, so she could not go to a library and ask for a book about alien abductions because she was afraid that everybody would think she had gone crazy.

The day after her examination, Salma began to feel another pain in her abdomen and she could feel whatever she was carrying begin to move. Then she began to bleed and, with some relief, she felt that her menstrual cycle was beginning. She was happy because it would prove that she was not pregnant and that the doctor had been wrong in his diagnosis.

On returning to Mexico City, Salma visited her own gynaecologist and he confirmed that she was still pregnant. She could not believe this and became very upset and anxious. Her doctor conducted tests of her blood and urine and confirmed yet again that she was expecting a

baby.

Salma returned home, but her bleeding became more pronounced, so she was rushed back to hospital and told that they would have to abort the baby. When told this, she suddenly became aware that she might actually have been carrying a human baby and not some alien monster. Had her fears about what she was carrying blinded her to the truth that she was going to be the mother of a human life? Did she have the right to terminate that innocent life? She convinced the doctors that she should spend the night in hospital before any surgery should take place. She told them that she would 'talk with her baby' and if she felt that it was still necessary to abort the foetus the next day, then they could do so.

That night, she talked to her unborn child and said that if it was going to be a 'person of love and light' then she would accept it, but if it was going to be something non-human, then she would proceed with the surgery.

The next day, her bleeding stopped. The doctor said that her pregnancy would be a risky one, but there was a chance that she would give birth to a healthy child.

During her pregnancy, Salma had a mental contact with tall, long-haired beings that soothed her fears about her baby. Despite these visits, she gained hardly any weight and felt nauseous all the time, even though she had been told by her physicians that the nausea should abate after three months.

Five months into the pregnancy, Salma was given the bad news by her doctor that the baby had moved into position and that she had dilated six centimetres. If the baby was born now, they feared it would not survive. Calmly, Salma told her baby to move and to her doctor's astonishment, the baby moved back up into her womb and out of danger.

When she was exactly eight months pregnant, on March 1st

1978, the baby became distressed and a caesarean section had to be conducted the same day. A beautiful baby girl was born. She was named after her mother, Salma.

After the birth, Salma, the mother, became very ill with a high fever and an infection on her caesarean scar. She had to remain in hospital for a further six weeks and no medication appeared to work. Eventually, a visiting Chinese doctor suggested that they use honey on the infection and it cleared up within two days.

Almost as soon as baby Salma was born, it became clear that she was very special. Within 48 hours, she could turn her head and smile at stimuli such as the use of her name. Other doctors were brought in to witness this amazing child and Salma realised with dismay that her life was going to become a circus.

As she grew, baby Salma displayed more signs that she was special. She never cried (indeed, her mother claimed that she had to be taught how to cry and only did so for the first time when she was six years old!), she ate only once every six hours and at the very young age of five months, she created shadows with her hands for her own pleasure.

At nine months old, she began to stand up and within two months she was walking unaided, with no crawling stage in between. At eight months, she was climbing stairs very quickly.

Her mother became afraid that she would never speak, as she had not uttered a sound for eleven months. Then suddenly, out of the blue, the baby said:

"Mama, give me one potato."

Her mother was amazed and asked her to say it again, so she did, this time mimicking a licking action with her hand. Salma realised that her daughter wanted a popsicle and not a potato, but that she should say a complete sentence while she had not uttered a single sound for eleven months was as-

tonishing. In one day, baby Salma uttered one hundred and twelve phrases!

When she was two years old, Salma told her mother that she wanted to go to a school with older children because the kids she was with now were 'so stupid'. These were normal toddlers that still wore nappies and drank from bottles and did not speak, while Salma was toilet trained, drank from a glass and could hold a conversation. It did not matter what school she was sent to, even with older children, she was always at a more advanced stage than her classmates. Eventually, her mother decided that she should tutor her daughter herself.

At four years old, young Salma taught herself how to read.

When she was five, Salma told her mother that she had a ball that she talked with. Her mother thought that she had found an imaginary playmate, but little Salma told her that it was not a 'secret friend', it was just a ball that she talked to. She said that the ball told her that there was a planet where people were suffering and had many problems. Her mother thought she was referring to our world, but Salma insisted that it was another planet that she was told about.

One day, when she was eight-years old, little Salma was in her playroom with her little sister and their childcare assistant and some friends called up to the room from outside, asking if she was playing out. Unknown to both her mother and the carer, the window in the room was broken. The carer opened the window and the hinges came away and the whole window fell out towards the children gathered below. Suddenly, Salma made a high-pitched tone with her voice and the window glided four metres above the children and came to rest, unbroken, on a wall behind them.

As this happened, Salma's mother came into the room, after hearing the screaming as the window broke loose and saw what had transpired. If the window had

fallen straight down, as it should have, those children below would have been killed. Little Salma simply said that she did what she had to do because her friends would have been hurt.

It also became apparent from an early age that little Salma possessed some kind of telepathic ability. She knew what people were thinking before they spoke and she could tell expectant mothers what sex child they were going to have. Her mother felt it was necessary to explain to her that it was not always the right thing to do to display these abilities to others. She did not want her daughter to become the butt of ridicule or even anger from superstitious people.

Young Salma also had the power to heal serious injuries. Her mother was in a serious car accident, damaging several vertebrae in her neck. She was told that she was paralysed and would never walk again. One day, her daughter sat her in a chair and placed her hands just above her mother's head. She told her mother to close her eyes and, suddenly, the vertebrae repaired themselves. Immediately, she felt warmth flowing through her body and almost immediately could move her hands and walk again.

A friend of the family who was diagnosed with cancer of the pancreas and given two months to live was treated by young Salma and although he still has the cancer, he is living a normal life many years later.

When Salma was twelve years old, she told her mother that she was receiving a great deal of information from a source that she could not understand. She asked her mother, "Who am I?" Her mother told her for the first time about the night on the border when the strange beings had surrounded the camper.

From that day, the family were visited by small, silver spheres. They flew into and around the house, passing through closed windows without breaking them and being witnessed by many visiting friends. These were the same kind of balls that Salma had spoken with since being a toddler, only now they appeared en masse in front of others.

All of her life, little Salma has suffered broken bones and all sorts of ailments and fevers. For eleven years, she was treated for rheumatic fever, but no medication seemed to work and she regularly ran extremely high temperatures. She was told by a doctor who claimed to have been in contact with UFOs that she had no rheumatic fever and that the symptoms were caused because she was not adapted to life on Earth. He told her to stop taking all of her medicines and go away for a while and tell her body to adapt itself to the Earth. Although sceptical, she did this and seven days later returned to the hospital where blood tests showed that all of her symptoms had vanished.

One day, she fell off a swing, banged her head and was knocked unconscious. She also damaged her patella. She was rushed to hospital where it was discovered that her kneecap had been broken into four pieces. Surgery was required to repair the damage. Young Salma told her mother that 'her people' would help her, so she was taken home.

The next day, Salma told her mother that her people had come and that she had to travel back to the hospital for another X-Ray. This was done and it was found that her kneecap was in perfect condition. The doctors declared that what had happened was impossible! They accused the family of somehow tricking them.

When she was fourteen, young Salma had an operation for a hiatus hernia. The doctor that performed the surgery said that he removed what appeared to be a foetus within the hernia. Not only that, but three arteries or veins were connected to the 'foetus'. The surgeon could not explain it.

When she was sixteen, Salma began having problems with her appendix. She told her mother that she would need to go to hospital for surgery, as her people have no appendix, thus could not help her. Her mother, thinking this was some sort of joke by her daughter, told her that she would take her to the hospital the following Sunday.

On the Friday night, Salma was visited by her daughter's 'people'. They explained to her that young Salma required the surgery, but that no pentathol should be used as an anaesthetic because it was poisonous to them.

During the interview, young Salma's mother explained that she had received visits from a man since she was a little girl, but had always thought that they were dreams of some kind. Since the birth of her daughter, she realised that these were real, physical interactions. When 'they' need to speak with her about her daughter, she hears music, usually while asleep, and when she awakens, the man is there. He appears human, with long, shoulder length hair, and wears black clothes that appear toga or cassock-like.

She went on to describe an event that occurred some five months before the encounter on the border in which she had a dream that her mother was being burgled. She and her husband rushed over to her mother's house, only to find everything normal and her mother angry at being awoken in the middle of the night. They returned home to find their servants sitting outside saying that 'the Devil had visited the house'. Salma's bedroom stank of cinnamon and three, deep scratches were found in the bedroom door, as though made by strong claws. On showing this to her mother the next day, she demanded that a priest come and bless the house. Salma took her into the kitchen to prepare some hot milk. She turned on the stove and a huge flame erupted, sending the two ladies staggering back. In that instant, the entire metal top of the stove melted and was now pooled on the kitchen floor.

Salma went on to explain how she had always been able to feel things about people, whether they were going to have accidents, if they were going to have a child etc., but after the birth of her daughter, the feelings far from growing weaker, became more intense.

At this point of the interview, young Salma gave her account of her life. In 1999, she was twenty-one years

of age, an elegant and graceful young woman with short, black hair and a lovely, soft smile.

She told how that she had her first physical contact with what she called 'her people' at the age of fourteen. Before that, all communications with them were mental. She would receive a great deal of information, which she would struggle to write down, such as complex mathematical data. It came to her almost all the time and she would tell her mother that she would wish it to stop, as she was getting no rest.

She also recounted about her contacts with the small, silver sphere that would visit, materialising out of thin air, and tell her things about future events. She always felt tired after it left and suffered from terrible headaches.

Her first physical encounter was with a vaguely human-looking man. She said he had no ears and his mouth was lipless. He had large eyes and three protuberances running front to back on the top of his head. He wore a suit that fit very close to his body, almost like skin.

She was sleeping and felt him touch her forehead. She awoke and felt a sense of great relief because she had been waiting for this first physical interaction for a very long time. A bright light flooded into the room through the window and Salma began to feel sick. She felt tingling in her extremities and suddenly, she was inside the ship.

She was told that he would answer her questions and, for her, the most important one was 'Who am I?'

It was explained to her that they came from a planet that had suffered some form of catastrophe, possibly nuclear in nature, in the distant past and that the majority of their population had become sterile. She was a part of a project in which human women were taken, impregnated and then returned. When the baby was six months old or so, they would take it away from the mother. The ship that was to take baby Salma away, and the rest of her generation that was part of the project, crashed and they lost them. The children that were lost were assigned to a new project, but not

all of them have been found.

The beings have the ability to manipulate time, or at least our perception of time, and Salma was taken back to the night she was conceived. She was told to be very quiet, as they were actually there.

She asked other questions, but was not given answers to all of them. She also asked during another encounter if she could take something back with her to show people that what she was experiencing was real, but she was told that she was not ready.

At first she felt used by these beings and it made her very angry. They contacted her when it suited them, she felt. No thought was given to her needs or requirements. She had been raised in a caring environment by parents who loved her dearly, but these beings appeared to view her as nothing more than a specimen and showed her no respect whatsoever. She told them this, but they simply reasserted the notion that she was not ready for certain facts. This only made her angrier.

After this, her experiences took a darker turn. She was treated with even less respect by the beings and shown no compassion by them. In about 1996, they implanted something inside her head that caused her great pain. It moved around under the skin behind her ear and a doctor even suggested that it be removed surgically. It was also discovered at about this time that Salma was missing collagen from her body. This explained why she had suffered so many broken bones and it was feared that she may never be able to bear children as a result. It was also found that young Salma had two extra vertebrae and had false articulation in her joints (they moved and rotated in a way that was not normal).

Salma had three beings that were in regular contact with her. One was an instructor, who was responsible for explaining things to her. He was the shortest of the three, being about Salma's height. The others were much taller, she said. He was also the one that had the task of trying to calm her down when she became angry or frustrated when they refused to answer her questions.

He told her that she was very lucky because she had a certain degree of free will. She can decide what to do with her life, whereas their lives are totally planned out from birth. Salma described the beings as being very emotionally cold outwardly, but she felt that they still had feelings underneath. They were doing a job and had to remain objective.

They had a bizarre way of gaining permission to do something to a subject. They would ask something like, 'Are you Salma?' and she would reply, 'Yes.' This simple confirmation appeared to translate to them as an agreement for them to do whatever they liked to that subject. Salma would berate them and suggest that they just tell her what they want from her and she might agree, but they never did.

Not all of the beings are 'good guys', it would appear. Salma makes it clear that she doesn't think that any of them are necessarily good or evil, but some of them act in a way that might be construed as bad.

Salma's little sister (she is only a year and a half younger and has had a completely normal life, with a normal development, compared to Salma's) becomes very scared when the beings visit their house. One night, the two girls were sleeping in the same room and Salma realised that a visit was imminent. She became very cold and saw what appeared to be a gas in the room, accompanied by a very white light. The air became very heavy. She sat up in bed and turned to see her sister lying asleep in the bed next to hers. To her right, she saw a very tall, animal-like figure. It was completely covered with hair, except for the head, but had a long tail that resembled an alligator's. It had long, thin arms that terminated with four fingers bearing long nails. Its face had a long, dog-like snout and large teeth. She was terrified, but more so when she saw that its eyes were the same as the eyes of her people. Salma worried that her sister might wake up, see this monster and begin screaming. If that happened, what would this hulking beast do then?

Salma just sat there, staring at this bizarre creature, its dark, soulless eyes glaring back at her. It began to

walk towards her and for a reason that she cannot explain, she held out her hands and told the beast that she loved it. The monster bit her and she remembers nothing else.

The next morning, she awoke with three bite marks on her neck, and one on her chin and one on her arm. The triangular marks faded after a few days.

The next night she had a visit from her people and she asked them about the beastly encounter. They told her that she had done the right thing. She became irate with them, saying that the creature had bitten her. What if she had become sick or even died? She was told to grow up and, again, she had done the right thing.

Another frightening experience occurred in 1996. She had a meeting with the being she described as her teacher and he told her that she was ready for her 'first important step'. She was excited by this, feeling that she would learn something new. She was told to be one of them and not to think as a human. She told him that she *was* a human, but that she would do her best as herself.

Salma was taken into a room by her companion, where a blonde-haired American girl was lying on one of the tables where the beings conducted their operations. Around the girl were entities like the ones that her mother had seen that night in 1977. Salma explained that these beings are not alive as we think about it. They are devoid of free will and are completely controlled by the others. Standing behind the girl was a tall being, whom Salma believed was in charge of the situation at hand. He nodded to Salma and her escort and they stepped closer to the table. The teacher then stepped back.

Salma could see that the girl was petrified, yet she could not move. When she saw Salma, she began asking questions about what was happening and Salma took her hand and tried her best to calm her fears and promised that nothing was going to happen to her. The girl calmed down and a light touched her head, at which time she fell asleep.

The being at the table produced a pen-like device that emitted a light. He drew it across the girl's leg, completely severing it! Salma freaked out. She felt that she had been used to calm this girl's fears before this hideous operation. She felt incredibly guilty at what she had done. She had promised that everything was going to be okay and now they had cut off her leg! She screamed at the being, wanting to know why they had cut off this girl's leg. Then the girl woke up, saw her amputated limb and began screaming also. The being rotated the device drew it back across the leg and it became connected once more. He sent the girl back to sleep and Salma began to cry.

Salma felt very stupid, realising that this had been some kind of test and she had failed. She had not shown trust in her people. When she was taken away by her teacher, she felt sad, disappointed, but also angry that she had been expected to show trust in them, yet they never displayed any trust in her.

Later she was told that the girl had been operated on by her people to remove a tumour and that her life had been saved.

When asked by Dr Roger Leir to describe the interior of the ship that she is taken to, Salma described it as being cold, yet the floor, which feels like marble, is warm. Although she feels cold personally, everything she touches is warm, except for the tables she has to lie down upon. She described the tables as feeling like a magnet. The gravity feels different and the air is heavier. A constant mist hangs in the atmosphere, making vision beyond a certain distance difficult, yet she felt that the rooms she had been inside were quite large. When she could discern the edges of a room, she described them as having no corners, all the walls curved into the floor and ceiling.

When asked if she would recognise another person like her, another one of the 'lost' children, Salma felt that she would identify them immediately. She can sense a person's inner self without them even uttering a word.

The main reason that Salma agreed to the interview was so she could

find others like her. It became clear to her that the beings were surprised by how well the 'lost' children had evolved to living on Earth. She said that she was very much like the beings in many ways, but she was also very human. It was difficult to live in both worlds. She had to develop a 'third logic' – a logic of humans, a logic of her people and the third logic was one that enabled her to bridge that gap between the two. She said that if she had not developed this way of life, she would have gone crazy. She finally accepted that if they wanted her for something, they were going to come. If they wanted to implant something, they would just do it. She had no choice, she just had to accept it. Eventually, she stopped asking them questions, content in her belief that anything she wanted to know, she would be told when the time was right. Despite of all the things that they do to her and that she is often angry with them, Salma said that she loves her people.

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UFO DATA Comment...

I first met the Mother and daughter a couple of weeks prior to recording the interview on an earlier trip to Mexico City. (It was a busy month in December 1999 I went to Mexico one week came home for four days and returned to Acapulco to present at a conference organised by Jaime Maussan).

The story was related to me over dinner and I couldn't help but notice how different the daughter looked in relationship to her mum and other Mexican Nationals.

A very pretty, tall and slender young lady but looked very Egyptian, her head seemed to look like the decorated ancient beauties depicted in Egyptian artwork from the time of the Pharaohs.

I was comfortable with the story being told to me and at no time did I ever feel I was being taken for a ride.

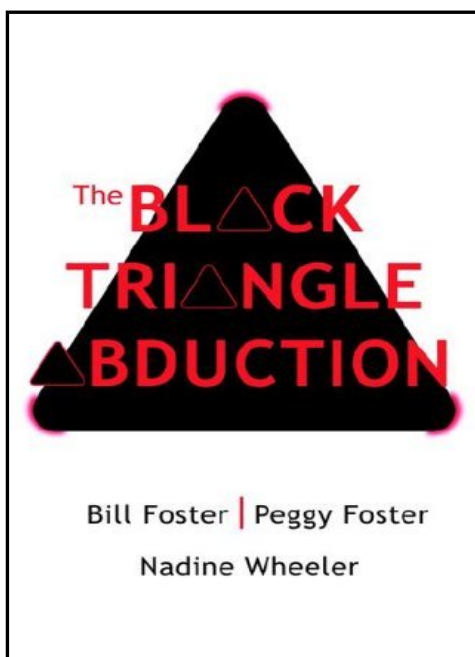
Both Whitley Strieber and Dr Roger Leir passed comment to Graham and I that what they had heard was as convincing as anything they had heard before.

We have changed the names to protect their identity but all the places and dates are correct as told during the interview.

Readers of this issue of UFO Data will now be familiar with an encounter that affected Sacha Christie and her family (Issue 2 pages 8-11). Ever since that encounter Sacha has taken an active interest in the UFO subject and the Paranormal.

There are several women researchers about the subject but it seems that not that many get the opportunity to publish their point of view.

UFO Data is happy to confirm that Sacha Christie will have a regular column in future issues of UFO Data Report and what follows is her first assignment.



In the short time I have been seriously investigating the UFO phenomena, I have been fortunate enough to make some very good friends who have had similar experiences to me. One of them is Bill Foster. I have been talking to Bill for almost five months now and I can honestly say he is a very genuine and caring person. I first contacted him with regards to hypnotic regression as I was considering seeing a therapist myself. I have found him to be extremely knowledgeable and he has helped me in some way, come to terms with my own experiences. I have found no reason to think that he might be suffering from psychological issues, in fact quite the opposite is true. In case questioned on the matter, Bill has had numerous psycho evaluations to rule out any psychological problems. This is what he had to say when I last spoke to him.

Hello Bill, thank you for agreeing to be interviewed about your book The Black Triangle Abduction. Can you tell me what happened on the night of the 16th of November 1996?

We were driving home from a party. We spotted what appeared to be a plane from five miles away. As we got closer we realized it was a giant triangle only a couple of hundred feet over our heads. At the time, we thought it to be about the size of a football field. We now know it was at least ten times that size. It was moving toward us at about 5 miles per hour, not making a sound and seemed to just hang there, in the air. It vectored off to our left and over a small knoll and out of sight. **How long did the sighting last and were there any other people with you when it happened?**

The entire sighting from start to finish was seven minutes in total. We had another couple in our car. We had taken them to the party as well and we were returning them to their home. It is important here to say that we were in our early fifties and none of the four of us drank alcohol, used drugs or suffered from any mental illness such as hallucinations, at the time.

Who did you report the sighting to and were there any other reports of the same event other than the occupants of your car?

Well, oddly enough Sacha, we found out, years later that there were many, many sightings of the same object that very night. We also discovered, six months after the sighting that the Sheriff's entire force of radios, (fourteen in all), lost power from 10:00 p.m. that night until 2:00 a.m. the next morning. Then as mysteriously as they had quit working they began working in perfect order, once again. (I cover this, in detail, in the book.)

I understand that it was around four years before you realised there was a missing time element to your sighting, how did you come to realise this?

It was a visit by a relative that triggered the missing time. We had told the exact same story of the sighting from day one and nobody had picked up the fact that the time element was missing over two hours! These missing hours really began to bother me.

For the most part, regression is considered to be unreliable, know-

ing this, what made you go through with it and why did you choose Nadine Wheeler to help you with your situation?

Well, Sacha, I don't agree with the 'premise' of your question. Hypnosis itself, is not that unreliable. What blurs reality, in some cases, are "leading questions" asked by hypnotherapists well-versed in alien abduction. This is exactly why we chose Nadine for the sessions. Nadine had no previous experience in UFOs, aliens, abductions, or anything to do with the subject. She could not "lead us" into any topic or direction. She could only say things such as: "and then what happened..."

Ok, I can accept that. So what was revealed in your sessions?

This is very hard to answer in any brief context. The sessions lasted over two years and encompassed ten years of history for both Peggy, my wife and myself. It all began, in session, with an actual abduction which took the four of us, car and all, into the belly of the Black Triangle! I found out that I have been abducted over 12 times during my lifetime and Peggy was abducted first on that night in November of 1996 and then yet again, subsequently. **Was there any specific information which was revealed in your sessions which might explain why you are the subject of multiple abductions?**

No, not directly. Dr. John Mack who studied the subject for over 20 years feels that the grey's use family bloodlines for abduction. That is, my parents were probably abducted and my grandparents before them. Unfortunately for me, our folks are all deceased so it is impossible to work backwards, past myself. I do discuss in the book my 'theory' as to why I was abducted, but it is only a theory.

Did you do any research into the abduction phenomena prior to your regression or were you spurred on by the revelation that you had been the subject of one yourself?

The latter is the case, Sacha. Prior to 1996 I had only seen movies like: "Communion" and "Close Encounters of the Third Kind", just like most folks. After my first year in hypnosis, I read every book I could get my hands on. To date, I have probably read well over 200 books on the subject looking for answers

that are not there.

Did the beings involved impart any knowledge to you? I ask this because many contactees say they have been told things about the future of mankind. If not, do you know what their interest in you is?

Oh, I wish I had some profound announcement for mankind but unfortunately, my experience was less dramatic. No, the Greys told me nothing about the future. The Greys only taught me 'lessons'. Our time is too limited to explain the lessons except to say they involved 284 pictures and over five sessions. I was to develop my senses of touch, smell, sight and hearing. Further, the Greys were fascinated by my emotions, especially fear. I had no problem showing fear!

I understand from your book that you made a pact with these beings as a child, guaranteeing you an extra hundred years of life, can you explain how this is going to come about?

It isn't! As Dr. John Mack told me: "There are two certain classes of liars, politicians and the Greys!" Yes, I was supposed to teach them about emotions in exchange for an added hundred years of life. I believed that lie for years. I now realize it was not true.

In the long run, how has this affected your everyday life? It must have made a massive impact which would affect your every day. How do you deal with the fact that you are a repeat abductee who on their next abduction will not be returning. How does this affect your family?

There is a fairly simple answer to this Sacha, I call it "compartmentalizing". I simply stuff the information into the back of my brain and most days I pretend it either happened to someone else or not at all. It is only times like this, during this interview, that I am forced to remember all the gritty details. Writing the book was difficult because I felt sick to my stomach, each time I sat down at the keyboard, getting all those memories down on paper. My family chooses to ignore the subject. Most of the time it is just like the "elephant in the room" we pretend nobody sees it or talks about it.

How do you feel about these beings that come to you? Do you consider them to be friendly or indifferent, are they humanitarians or do they have their own agenda?

To me, oddly enough, they feel like family. You don't understand that? Neither does my wife. I have been with these Greys so many times that once an abduction happens, it is like a family reunion for me. That's why I enjoyed visiting the UFO Museum in Roswell, New Mexico last year. It felt like I had "come home". Are they humanitarians? Not in the least! They specifically have an agenda, it is for their benefit and the Greys are indifferent, at best, totally unfeeling at worst. I sincerely believe that the Greys are incapable of feeling any emotion.

I had a heart attack 20 years ago. The Greys were fascinated by it. They thought it should not have happened to me. I tried to explain that it was brought on by stress. Just simple emotional stress. The Greys could not comprehend stress as a 'real or physical' problem. I do not believe the Greys want to hurt us, intentionally. Our physical pain of examination is just a by-product of the process of them getting what they want.

As we wrap this up Bill, is there anything else you would like to say?

Yes I would, Sacha. We are in the process of building a web site right now for people who have been abducted or think they may have been abducted. It is going to be strictly non-profit, non-advertising and non-cost. When it is on line in the next month or two it will be:

www.abduct-anon.com I hope folks who want further information will either contact me directly or check out this site for more information. Thanks for doing the interview with me, I enjoyed it Sacha.

One last question Bill, do you honestly believe everything that is contained in this book?

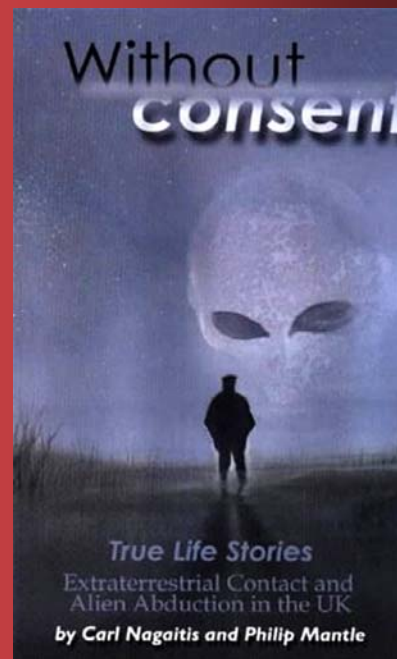
Absolutely. Every single word was given thought, during editing, so I could keep the account as honest as possible. Trust me, if it were to be fiction, I could have made a better story. Unfortunately, fact does not always conform to logic.

Thank you very much Bill, goodbye.

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The book is widely available at book shops and on Amazon.com. Sacha Christie.

Recommended Reading



UFO DATA's feature editor, Philip Mantle has written several UFO subject related books.

Without Consent co-authored with journalist and author Carl Nagaitis and explores the Alien Abduction phenomenon here in the UK.

The case studies range from terrified housewives to cool headed time-served police officers coming into contact with the darker side of this subject.

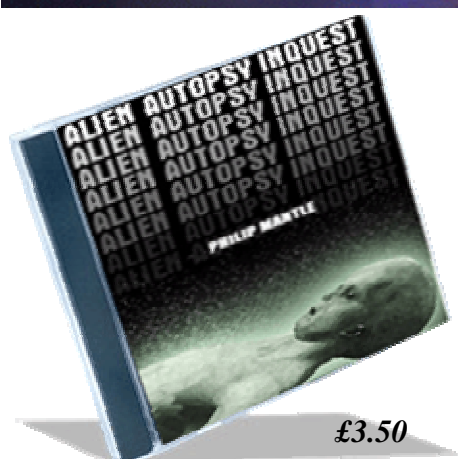
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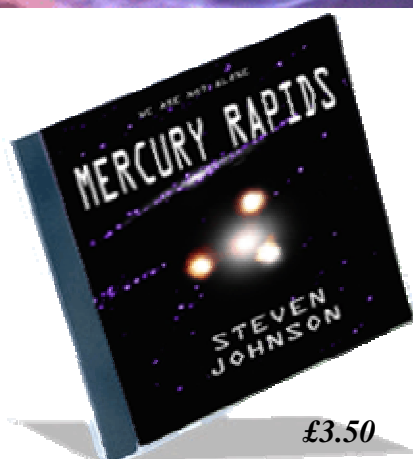
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Modern day representation...

Ancient Russian Manuscript Describes 19th Century UFO...

Nowadays reports of UFO sightings appear in the media so frequently that they hardly catch anyone's eye. More often than not the alleged UFOs turn out to be signal rockets, meteorological probes, airplanes or their traces. But this certainly does not apply to sightings registered centuries ago — when no rockets or airplanes existed at all. Moscow daily Komsomolskaya Pravda publishes a document from a personal archive that tells of a UFO spotted over the Kremlin back in 1808.

"I found this document in the personal archive of a Moscow senator Peter Poludensky, who worked for the Tsar's Secret Service and died in the middle of XIX century. Apparently the manuscript attracted his attention for some reason," says Alexander Afanasyev, an expert of the Russian State History Museum, department of manuscripts.

"Ufology is really not my area, but I am determined that the manuscript describes a UFO."

"Radiance Over the Kremlin"

"On September, 1, 1808, at 8 o'clock and 7 minutes in the afternoon, in the sky, clear and sown with stars, a phenomenon appeared, incomparable in its beauty and rigor, as well as in radiance and enormous size, to anything seen before. As we noticed it, attracted by the loud cracking sound, it was rising in an arch over the horizon, from 55' to almost 90'. Having passed this distance in an instant, it stopped among the clouds as if over the Kremlin and looked like a long straight plate some nine arshin

(6.35 meter) long and half arshin (0.35 meter) thick.

Then on its front edge, turned to the South-West, an oval flame flared, some two arshin (1.4 meter) long and one and a half arshin (1.4 meter) thick, with a flame that can only be compared to the radiance of burning phosphor.

Floating in a circle without open fire or sparkle, it nonetheless lighted everything around as broad daylight; then the flame went out, the light disappeared, but the bright plate remained and quite smoothly went perpendicularly upwards, reached the stars and still could be seen for some two minutes and then, without disappearing, it became invisible due to the extraordinary height."

Indeed, the mysterious object described bears a resemblance to modern UFO descriptions by its ability to stop and start off abruptly, radiating light, and its regular shape. However, Afanasyev rules out the possibility of the manuscript being a fake.

"Impossible. The manuscript is written on authentic paper, produced in 1805. The spelling and the style obviously belong to the beginning of XIX century, and the author must have been an educated person, probably a Moscow State University professor, since the University is just across the street from the Kremlin."

The researcher turned to astronauts, hoping to find out what the author of the manuscript actually witnessed, but unexpectedly the astronomers helped him identify the author.

"In 1808 at a meeting of Moscow Naturalist Society Andrey Chebotaryov, a 24-year-old professor of chemistry at the Moscow University, made a report on a meteor that he happened to see," says Galina Ponomaryova, an expert of the State Astronomy University.

"Of course it was not a meteor, but at that time any object in the sky was identified as a meteor."

The Scheme

The manuscript was accompanied by a sketch, depicting what Chebotaryov saw.

1. September, 13, 1808 at 20:07 at the Moscow State University Chebotaryov hears a cracking noise, and looking out of the window sees a rectangle object 6.35 meters long and 0.35 meters thick, rising in an arc.

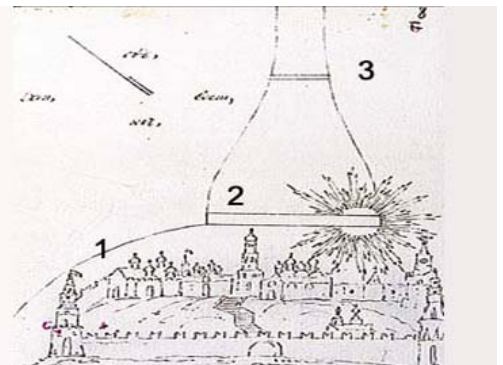
2. The object freezes over the Kremlin at some two or three kilometres' height. On the lateral part a bright ball of flame flared, some 1.5 meters in diameter. The radiance continued for five seconds.

3. When the radiance went out, the object smoothly raised vertically upwards and was visible for two minutes.

"The aim of this document still remains a mystery for me," Afanasyev adds.

"At first I suggested that it was a draft for an article in the paper, but neither the Moscow State University's newspaper, nor any other Moscow edition published this material."

Chebotaryov could be preparing an article for the Moscow Naturalist Society newsletter, but for some reason it was never published and stayed in the archive until Peter Poludensky discovered it. Finally, the manuscript was rediscovered by modern researchers and could be published for the broader public.



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<http://www.mosnews.com/column/2006/02/07/sensationalfind.shtml>



1911 EGYPTIAN SPACE ROCK RE-OPENS MARS LIFE DEBATE.

Paul Rincon BBC News Science Reporter

A carbon-rich substance found filling tiny cracks within a Martian meteorite could boost the idea that life once existed on the Red Planet. The material resembles that found in fractures, or "veins", apparently etched by microbes in volcanic glass from the Earth's ocean floor. Details will be presented at the Lunar and Planetary Science Conference in Houston, Texas, next month. All the processes of life on Earth are based on the element carbon. Proving carbon in Martian meteorites is indigenous - and not contamination from Earth - is crucial to the question of whether life once arose on the Red Planet.

"We don't exactly know what it means yet, but it's all over the thin sections of the Nakhla material"
Kathy Thomas-Keprta, Lockheed Martin

Initial measurements support the idea that the "carbonaceous material" is not contamination, the scientists say. But the evidence so far is unlikely to convince the sceptics.

The research team includes scientists who brought evidence for microbial life in another Martian meteorite, ALH84001, to the world's attention in 1998.

The Martian meteorites are an extremely rare class of rocks. They

famous Nakhla meteorite which came down in Egypt, in 1911, breaking up into many fragments.

London's Natural History Museum, which holds several intact chunks of the meteorite, agreed for Nasa researchers to break one open, providing fresh samples.

"It gives people a degree of confidence this had never been exposed to the museum environment," said co-author Colin Pillinger of the UK's Open University.

"I think it's too early to say how [the carbonaceous material] got there... the important thing is that people are always arguing with fallen meteorites that this is something that got in there after it fell to Earth. "I think we can dismiss that. There's no way a solid piece of carbon got inside a meteorite."

Analysis of the interior revealed channels and pores filled with a complex mixture of carbon compounds. Some of this forms a dark, branching - or dendritic - material when seen under the microscope. "It's really interesting material. We don't exactly know what it means yet, but it's all over the thin sections of the Nakhla material," said co-author Kathie Thomas-Keprta, of Lockheed Martin Corporation and Nasa's Johnson Space Centre in

are all believed to have been blasted off the surface of the Red Planet by huge impacts; the material would have drifted through space for millions of years before falling to Earth.

Fresh samples

The latest data comes from examination of a piece of the

Houston, Texas.
'Indigenous component'

Peter Buseck, regent's professor of geological sciences at Arizona State University, told the BBC News website that he found no strong evidence of a biological origin for the carbon in the meteorite. He added that it was difficult to determine the origin of carbon in rocks based on microscopy. Previous studies of the forms - or isotopes - of carbon in the Nakhla meteorite found a component of which more than 75% is lacking any carbon-14.

Since all terrestrial life forms contain some carbon-14, this component was thought to be either indigenous carbon from Mars or ancient meteoritic carbon.

Professor Pillinger and colleagues are carrying out direct isotopic analysis of the carbonaceous material, but he admits terrestrial contamination is occurring when thin slices of the meteorite are made for analysis.

However, the ratio of carbon to nitrogen in the epoxy used to prepare the thin sections is very different from that of the carbonaceous material in the meteorite's veins. If it is indigenous to Mars, the authors say the "carbonaceous material" came either from another space rock that smashed into Mars hundreds of thousands of years ago, or is a relic of microbial activity.

A resemblance between the material in the meteorite and features of microbial activity in volcanic glass from our planet's ocean floor further support the idea they are biological in origin, says the paper. If this is the case, the remains of these organisms and their slimy coatings might provide the carbon-rich material found in Nakhla, the researchers argue.

The 37th Lunar and Planetary Science Conference runs from 13-17 March in Houston, Texas.

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BBC NEWS

WEST YORKSHIRE UFO HOTSPOT

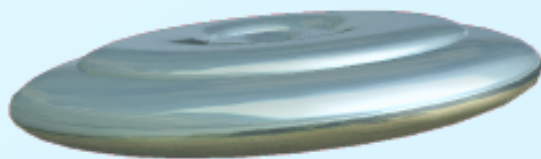
On the 17th of November 2005 the Huddersfield Daily Examiner ran an article regarding UFO sightings in the Kirklees area, titled, "Are aliens visiting Huddersfield?"

The Examiner reported it has been given previously classified documents which have been released through our freedom of information act. These documents outline all sightings reported to the MOD between 2002 and 2004. According to the paper, the information includes four sightings in Huddersfield, one in nearby Heckmondwike and ten other sightings across West Yorkshire, some in Leeds, Bradford and Todmorden where Alan Godfrey had his well-documented sighting.

The MOD list includes only sightings they cannot explain. However, I have seen a copy of this report. The information collected by MOD staff is minimal to say the very least. I shall outline these sightings further on so you can read for yourself the information collected. The article states that the locals are shocked and amazed by the revelations. Witnesses claim to have seen cigar shaped objects and silver balls and flying "jellyfish".

In November 2005, there was another sighting by a young man called John Lockwood who says that he and a friend spotted two orange lights that were stationary for several minutes, either side of Emley Moor mast, too low to be stars, then an hour later they saw another light which disappeared before their eyes.

2003 also saw another spate of sightings. A local woman managed to capture some footage on her camcorder but the film quality was not very good and the MOD dismissed it.



This could indicate that there was a rational explanation for what she had filmed.

There was also a claim from a local astronomer that in fifty years he and his team have never seen anything that could not be explained and that these sightings 'were not extraterrestrial in nature'.

Some of this contradicts witness statements I have collected. Another man who lives in the area and has done so for 25 years claims he started seeing things in the sky right from the first day of moving to the area. The objects were mainly disc and dome shaped and they were in the skies so often that eventually the local people got so used to seeing them that they simply stopped talking about them. He says that 'some of the objects were as large as sixty to seventy feet in diameter and the smallest, the size of a rugby ball'. On one occasion he saw seven of the small objects being followed by a large object, he thought they descended into the dam itself. He has seen objects zigzag, shoot off at extremely high speeds, change direction in a split-second

"Sometimes," he told me, "I would watch from an upstairs window at what appeared to be lights beneath the surface of the dam". "The reason I am telling you is this, I found a site with an article about Scammonden Dam written by Mark Gibbons and when I read his story it sent shivers down my spine, knowing that others had also seen strange things over the dam.

The other reason is, I am getting older now, I do not believe I will ever know the truth behind these events, although it has been suggested that a military base might be the answer but I am not one to accept this.

"I also believe that whatever it is, it isn't of this earth. Maybe there is some natural explanation, but what I ask you? Even now there is something not quite right about the dam. I don't believe it is anything to do with the government. Why would they build a motorway right next to it if it was a special place?" He also states that people have gone to the dam looking for answers only to be ushered away. He says "It's like it's a taboo subject to speak freely about".

He still has regular sightings, sometimes as often as two a week to just two in a year, usually in the night but sometimes in the daytime too. He says he has witnessed up to four objects at the same time. He describes the different objects he has seen as disc-shaped, a flying triangle and bell shaped, although it is mostly the disc-shaped objects that appear. On occasion they are oval-shaped.

He goes on to say, "On a few occasions there have been terrestrial craft at the same time, military and civilian. On one particularly hot sunny day in August 1992, I saw three black helicopters flying around the same area of a recent sighting, they were black with no markings. They were in the area towards the motorway bridge".

Another sighting occurred in mid May 2005 at around 8.30 in the evening when he was in the company of friends. Then on the 12th of June 2005 at around 9.30pm, his longest sighting to date, lasted almost an hour. He says "The craft was

approximately 20 feet above me, it made me feel very uneasy and I felt like I was being observed. It made a whirring, humming sound". One point I must make, even after so many sightings he does not believe that he has been the subject of an abduction.

He says "The government should come clean about UFOs, I've had enough of those who say I have seen nothing out of the ordinary, it makes me look like a crank with nothing better to do. I gain nothing from these reports".

His last reported sighting was on the 15th of August 2005 at 2.30 a.m. "I saw very clearly a large cylinder shaped object flying over the top of my house at an estimated altitude of 200mtr. The craft was observed by an unknown car driver up on the bridge. He pulled over to take a look. It was travelling west towards Manchester".

Another local man, 'Martin', came forward to report what he had seen on the 3rd of October 2005: "I live four miles away from Scammonden Dam and last night I observed a collection of twelve to fifteen faint grey oval shapes sweeping across Holme Valley before rising and forming a perfect circle, like a clock face. They then revolved anticlockwise before dispersing at high speed, easterly. There was heavy cloud cover but I got the impression they were below this. The encounter lasted four to five minutes. For some reason I have been feeling quite emotional about this all day. I have had no interest in UFOs previously." When asked to describe the objects in more detail he says, "They were oval and light grey. I could not describe them as 3D objects, or light shapes, it was quite odd. They were quite dull to the naked eye.

"Before they formed the 'clock face' they manoeuvred around each other very quickly, like a swarm of bees, very organic in movement. They then formed a perfect circle and revolved in an automated, mechanical fashion". A family member was out walking his dog when he noticed, over towards the Colne Valley, something he described as a small oval orange object sitting in the sky before zipping out of view at

an impossible speed, that sighting occurred almost two years ago.

What we have are two witnesses, who between them have reported no less than six sightings in the Scammonden area alone. Below are the released MOD reports from this area; verbatim:

20/05/04. 13.30. Skipton. North Yorkshire: Looked like a giant, transparent ring.

14/05/04. 03.10. Leeds. West Yorkshire: A very bright light with strobe lights near the bright light.

22/04/04. 16.30. Goole. East Yorkshire: The object looked like a boomerang and was stationary over a power station. An aircraft was circling the object.

14/04/04. 20.27. Honley. West Yorkshire: Looked like a jelly fish flying in the sky. May have had two bright lights on either side of the object.

10/04/04. 22.10. Filey. North Yorkshire: Two objects travelling together, they climbed at an incredible speed and headed off south down the coast.

06/04/04. 21.25. Driffield. East Yorkshire: Object with three to four coloured lights.

12/01/04. 16.30. Huddersfield. West Yorkshire: Round object with white lights all around it.

The only conclusion I can draw from this information is that there is undoubtedly something going on in this area but it appears very few who have a sighting report it, maybe for fear of ridicule or maybe because they don't know where to report it. Simple: in the first instance report it to the local police, they are required to notify other agencies.

With an estimated 8,000 satellites orbiting the earth and over 12,000 aircraft in the skies, it is easy to mistake unusual but explainable occurrences as something out of this world. It is widely accepted that at least 95% of UFO sightings can be explained away.

Continued...

However, I'm sure you will agree that the testimonies of these people put them in the 5% margin of possible unidentified objects, A situation that warrants serious investigation.

I have collected a series of regional sightings over the last couple of years which are not in connection to the Scamonden incidents but are worth reading:

21/14/98. 11.30 pm. Liverpool. "I had just left my girlfriend's and was walking through the local park. I heard a strange whooshing noise. First of all I thought someone was behind me. I don't know why but as I looked up there was an object above my head. It must have been only 200 feet off the ground. The hairs on the back of my neck stood on end. There was a strange humming noise coming from the craft and a sort of mist around the outer edges, with a dim light that span around the edge of the craft about every ten seconds. The craft shifted upwards about another 200 feet in about a second, stopped, then headed off east. I have never seen speed like it. I stood fixed to the ground wondering what I had seen. As I looked at my watch, the object must have only been above me for about a minute but it seemed like forever. I carried on walking, I could hear what sounded like military jets speed past. I know what I saw and I know we are not alone".

02/12/02. 10.30 pm. Leeds. "I saw what looked like a satellite but it was a dull red colour, unlike the stars and planets that could be seen. What made this more memorable was the fact that, having travelled in a straight line for about 15 degrees of the sky, west to east, it abruptly turned off to east/south/east. It did not curve, bank or pause in any way whatsoever.

10/09/01. 7.15 pm. Rowarth high peak Derbyshire. "I noticed bright lights in the sky which was unusual for the location (open hillside). They were hovering and dancing in the air just above the ground, then appeared to go up through clouds, lighting up a whole area around them. They faded out of view travelling towards the direction of Snake Pass towards Sheffield at extreme speed". The sighting lasted approximately five minutes. The objects were sphere shaped

and had an aura or a haze around them. It also changed colours and hovered.

06/06/04. 6.14 pm. Rotherham. Black Stick. "It had been a hot sunny day with clear skies. Only a few minutes before the sighting I had taken a photograph of a rainbow over the south of Rotherham. I had my camera with me and I heard some neighbours talking and looking at something in the sky. My initial thoughts were that it was a hot air balloon. It was moving at the speed I would have expected a balloon to travel. It was moving from west to east through the sky, it didn't go higher or lower. After taking some shots and knowing this was not a hot air balloon, I went to get my binoculars. It had gone from sight 30 seconds later. It looked like a black line in the sky. It looked to be 2.5 cm, 1 inch in size".

22/05/04. 3.00 pm. Lancashire. Black Rod. Bill and Margo were picnicking on the shore of Walverden reservoir near Nelson, Lancashire when they spotted something unusual in the sky approaching from the west. "There were four people watching this. We were having the picnic when our eldest grandchild said 'look at the stick in the sky!' and that is just what it looked like, a black line in the sky, like a stick. It was stationary, not moving, except to turn slightly. The stick was a diagonal line going from left to right. It was about one inch long in the sky. We continued to watch it for about 20-30 minutes and it turned to the east or, went shorter, then vanished. The object's height was deceptive because it was a lot bigger than a plane would have been at the same distance".

21/08/05. 6.35 pm. Wakefield. "On a relatively clear summers evening I looked up and saw a black object that was constantly changing shape. It approached from the south and headed north".

26/08/05. 10.00 pm. Rotherham. "I saw an oval glowing shape in the sky, bluish grey in colour. It moved erratically".

Sacha Christie.

UFO DATA

I don't know if our readers have picked up on a very obvious connection to most of the sightings collated by Sacha in her report.

The one thing that connects all these sightings is the direction of travel.

Most of the sightings are reported from the West or North West part of the country, the Pennine area of Lancashire and Yorkshire and the slightly South West Peak district.

All wild and remote areas but all the reports suggest the objects observed head off to the East.

Worth Investigating...



14th February 2006

The extradition hearing against computer hacker Gary McKinnon has resumed at Bow Street Magistrates Court, London. He is accused of breaking into 97 US government computer systems, causing over £300,000 worth of damage.

As he is being accused of 'the biggest computer hack of all time', McKinnon's solicitors fear that if extradited, he would face military orders and possibly be sent to Guantanamo Bay in Cuba. McKinnon claimed he first started looking for evidence of UFOs and it 'got out of hand'.

McKinnon, of Wood Green, North London, admits to hacking into secure systems, but denies causing any damage. Indeed, US prosecutors admit that he did not download any sensitive files or passed data to foreign powers. His supporters claim that US authorities should be grateful he highlighted the shortcomings of their security systems.

Picture Credit: BBC



February 16th 2006

A gamma ray burst, the brightest ever detected, struck the Earth's atmosphere on December 27th, 2005, astronomers have reported.

Originating from a type of neutron star known as a magnetar, the blast

travelled 50,000 light years and was monitored by scientists from observatories worldwide. If the magnetar had been within 10 light years of our solar system, the burst would have severely damaged our atmosphere, possibly completely destroying our ozone layer.

Scientists believe that gamma ray bursts may be responsible for one or more mass extinctions in the Earth's past, but luckily, there are no magnetars close enough now to cause us any concern. The closest known are over 4,000 light years away.

Picture Credit: Space.com



A US astronomer has drawn up a short-list of the stars most likely to harbour intelligent life.

Doctor Margaret Turnbull of the Carnegie in Washington DC looked at the ages of stars, how much iron their spectrographic signature revealed and their mass. She discarded stars that were younger than 3 billion years old, had 50% less iron than the Sun and stars that were more 1.5 times the mass of our parent star.

Her top five were:

- **Beta CVn**, a star in the constellation Canes Venatici and 26 light years away.
- **HD 10307**, in the constellation Andromeda and 41 light years distant.
- **HD 211415**, a star just over 44 light years away and about half the size of the Sun.
- **18 Sco**, in Scorpius is about 45 light years away and a little brighter than the Sun, but about the same mass.
- **51 Pegasi**, in Pegasus and roughly 51 light years from us. It is almost

exactly the same mass as the Sun.



February 6th 2006

When a Norfolk man began clearing out his cottage in preparation for renovation, he found an old jar with some strange contents – what appeared to be a dead alien!

Barney Broom is not suggesting that he is in possession of a real-life alien, but the presence of a US military code on the specimen's foot, a label on the jar dated October 1947 (just months after the famous Roswell Incident) and his home's proximity to two US airbases has him pondering about the origins of his find.

Barney reported his find to the Sci-Fi Channel (??) and a spokesman said that the 'alien' could be a 1960s film prop. A spokeswoman for the US Air Force said that the object was not government property and that the code might be from a museum.

Picture Credit: BBC





Those who know me will be aware that I choose to report and research this subject as I see it. I keep having to assure our readers that I am not a debunker and I am not, of that you can be certain.

The really difficult to explain UFO cases fascinate me although a bulk of these (super cases) will fall to conventional or an unusual explanation if you dig deep enough. The handful that are left after all routes of explanation have been exhausted however make the pursuit of the subject really worthwhile.

Ufologists are always quick to quote percentage numbers and defend the fact that if only five percent of the thousands of reported sighting stand up to scrutiny then the world has still seen a considerable amount of genuine UFOs over the last sixty or so years. I will be polite here and say boll***s. If there had been the percentage of genuine encounters as claimed we should be knee-deep in alien crap to an amount that no government or other agency could hide from the general public no matter how professional a clean up and sanitizing job was done.

In reality I would think if we have had genuine encounters be they distant or face to face then you would be able to count them on a couple of hands, that many could be managed by the powers that be.

So how come Mexico has daily UFO encounters, Aliens caught on camera and an eager audience of thousands willing to spend a few dollars

ways such fabrication could be created but I believe those 'superstar' researchers are taking their countrymen and women for a ride.



Mexico has had some amazing encounters. The multi-camera recordings of the same silver daylight UFO captured during the eclipse of 1991 stands up to scrutiny 15 years after the event, but for my money it was this sensational event that not only captivated the news media and the populace of a country not to mention millions of ufologists across the world, but it also fuelled the less scrupulous researchers and TV producers with ammunition and a motive to carry on reporting (and in some cases manufacturing) UFO footage to feed the ever growing appetite from a country who's capitol city has over 25 million people crying out for proof of prophecies laid down by their Aztec heritage.

For the record this ramble started out as an additional report on the recent alleged 'Alien Grab' captured on some camera phone by kids playing football and I will address this but what I don't under-

to see face to face their country's 'superstar' status UFO researchers who can deliver undeniable evidence as to the existence of UFOs and aliens.

Well for my money there is only one way this could be possible - 'fabrication' There are, of course, many

stand is why if genuine, do researchers have to invent in the worse case or over play mundane material at best when there are real hardcore cases in Mexico that warrant research.

Our feature story 'Mother and Child' is not weakened by poor iffy images that anyone with an IQ of over 7 can give a rational explanation to. I choose to share this story with you because like me there were others present during the 4 hour interview that had seen and researched some very interesting cases.

Over the years certain people have become synonymous with dodgy material. I can't avoid identifying certain players, here so for the record I find Jaime Maussan a very non disciplined researcher. On more than one occasion he has left himself open to criticism. Jaime is a great guy. I have stayed with him at his home in Mexico and have presented material at a conference arranged by Jaime in the Gulf playboy Mecca of Acapulco. He has presence, of that there is no doubt, but people in his homeland seem to trust what is presented without question and that makes it easy for a TV personality to convince them as to what they are seeing.

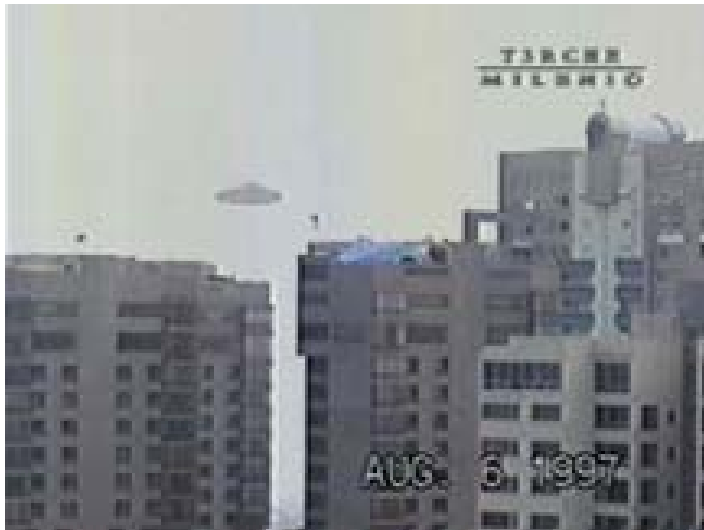
A classic case was during my stay with Jaime in 1999. I was in Mexico with time to spare. I had a week before my return flight and had come to Jaime to collect exhibits for the Australian Phenomena Exhibition.

I shared UFO Magazines NASA footage with Jaime and Jaime showed me some of the more recent material they had come across.

I quickly realised that Jaime was funding the local 'Vigilantes', a group of enthusiastic sky watchers who were recording regular clips for Jaime to present at conferences and on his TV appearances. The 'Vigilantes' worked from Jaime's office and had access to video and computer equipment.

The guys and girls of the Vigilantes where a friendly bunch and wanted to show me around their great city and take to some of the UFO hot spots that Jaime had reported upon.

One place I wanted to visit was Los Lomos. It was here that one of the most recognised pieces of UFO film was recorded and I was keen to see the locality for myself.



The footage recorded 6th Aug 1997 was aired across the globe. Jaime had reported the sighting on his nightly current affairs TV show. He had claimed on subsequent shows that finding the area where the film was shot had taken some days, 'Mexico was a big city', but as if by magic when the film aired across Mexico, witnesses started to flood in. A magnificent daylight UFO event never made the local rag until the footage was broadcast. I think you know where I'm coming from.

While in Mexico, I took the opportunity to interview Jaime for both UFO Magazine and the Phenomena people. We conducted the interview in Jaime's garden. His home is situated in a national park, a thousand feet or so high above Mexico City. The views are spectacular and while I was setting up my camera for the interview, I spotted a familiar landmark in the distance. (Images page 36).

A couple of days before I had visited Los Lomos with the Vigilantes, they took me to where the film was actually recorded (an office block) and I asked the commissionaire if it would be possible to film from the actual balcony where the original film was shot. This was not possible but we were able to recreate the images from in front of the office complex. The tower blocks that the alleged UFO flies past are very distinctive and remembering Jaime had said the place was not easy to find, I couldn't believe I could see

the self same towers from Jaime's back garden. The following day, Jaime drove me to his office. I had said nothing about the fact you could see Los Lomos from his garden. What happened next left me with a great deal of doubt about the integrity of my host. To get to his city centre office, we drove within 300 yards of the now infamous tower blocks.

How could he state that this was a difficult area to locate? What's more if the UFO had continued on its track recorded on the video, it would have flown right over the roof of Jaime's parkland home. Cynics might say he was set up. Objective researchers might say he knew exactly what was going on.

More recently Jaime has been seen pushing the military film captured with infra red cameras by a border patrol plane.

Claims that the patrol guards had not seen anything like this before led UFO researchers to believe that Jaime might have something here, however the footage is still a regular on Jaime's conference tours some three years after it emerged, even though it has been identified as flames from oil platforms in the Mexico gulf.

UFO stories can be just as interesting when a rational explanation is found. It is part of real research, finding answers, doing the job correctly.

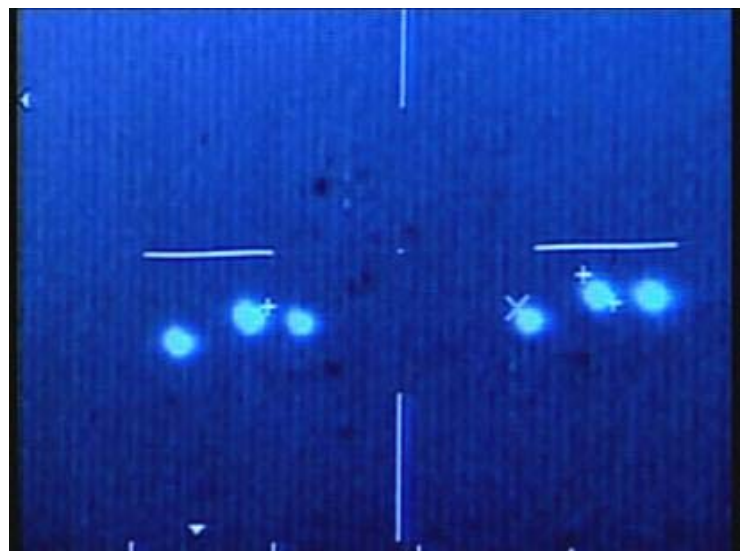
So back to the reason this article was started. In the last issue we showed an image from a camera phone, allegedly showing an alien form reaching out and grabbing the

hand of a young boy playing football. Well Jaime had the clip on TV faster than you could say Carlos Diaz. *Since writing the piece for issue No1, UFO DATA got hold of a copy of the full video.*

I feel it correct to address a couple of points. The kids were playing football under darkness, the street or alley is lit by street lighting. While one boy does a few footy tricks his pal captures his skills on camera phone. Then we see an obvious edit on the film. The motion is slowed down and zoomed in and then from nowhere the humanoid form appears from behind an upright to tap our footballer and scare him off.

All filmed of course. So what's the chance that you would get that action just while you were shooting a limited time phone video?

Highly unlikely, but it could easily have been created on a regular camcorder and edited up on one of



many free or very inexpensive video editing software systems available on the internet and than transferred back to the phone.

Before you take on board claims such as these stop for a moment and think about it.

There are two reasons for the need to produce or acquire footage such as we have discussed here. One to fool others and gain some sort of fame for your work or two to attempt financial gain. I have worked around the UFO subject a long time now and I know how much there is out there to be made. It's not much believe me.

But if you had a need to keep a fee paying audience interested in the subject so they would attend conferences etc then there is a fairly profitable reason for having new and exclusive material.

I just think that in this day and age people do not deserve to be conned or cheated about something that is as important as this subject.

The other thing that leaves a bad taste is the fact that many of the people who have this material presented to them are from poor uneducated backgrounds and when the big man from the TV arrives and presents to them wonderful UFO films and relates detailed stories of abductions and alien visitations, they believe him.

It would be far better to present two sides to a story, but that wouldn't keep selling tickets for conferences would it.

In conclusion, whilst on my visit to Mexico in 1999, I was given a video tape and told to watch this when you get back to England. This I did.

When I ran the video, although in Spanish, the visuals said it all.

It showed a small hand made glass factory making light shades, light shades that looked identical to the UFOs made famous by another Mexican, photographer Carlos Diaz.

By now I think you will be getting the picture. I have been asked many times, 'Why Mexican UFO films never get shown on the news over here in the UK?'

The answer is simple the real stuff is being swamped by manufactured tat and over-the-top unqualified claims.

LOS LOMOS IMAGES



Jaime Maussans back yard



Closer



Closer still



The original film was shot from an upper floor of this office block



Jaime Maussan is well liked by the people of Mexico. As a journalist, he has been awarded many commendations for his work into the ecological welfare of his country. The certificates and plaques in his office prove that beyond doubt.

I have spent many happy hours with Jaime in many countries around the world and I can tell you he lives a very privileged lifestyle compared to the millions of fellow Mexicans who survive on the breadline every day.

But Jaime works hard. He employs a number of staff in his home and at his production office, he has a radio station and of course his television work .

Jaime does get the UFO message to the grass roots, the poor farmers, school kids & factory workers and they come to see Jaime in big numbers.

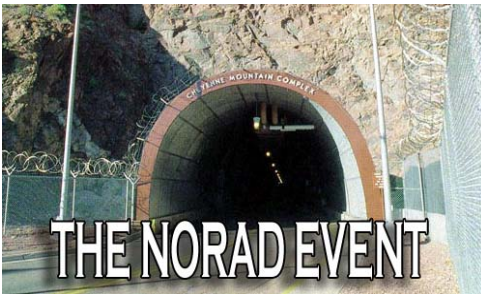
He travels the country presenting UFO conferences in cities and towns across Mexico, people still give Jaime video tapes of strange objects they can't explain.

Jaime is always quick to share the footage with an eager conference audience or with a local news station. Perhaps if a little more time was spent on research before going public with wild claims of ETs and flying saucers more credibility would come to Jaime from news and documentary makers in other parts of the world.

Who knows, perhaps Jaime is happy with things just the way they are. This is not an exercise in shooting Jaime down. I dare say if he spoke here in Leeds we would sell out weeks in advance. Personally though I think the subject deserves more.

It is an amazing subject indeed and with some real hard nosed investigation and research we might get a little nearer the bottom of this informative pit we call ufology.

Jaime, keep doing what you do. The truth is in there somewhere and who knows, if we get a real alien on film it will probably be holding Jaime Maussan's hand...



The Norad Event examines a six week period through late 1993 to early 1994 where many strange reports were catalogued over this short but interesting period.

Presented here by Christopher O'Brien.

About the author.

In 1989, after over a decade in NYC where he was a professional designer, musician and actor/model, Christopher O'Brien moved to the San Luis Valley, in South-central Colorado. He began a private investigation of unusual documented events in the SLV which resulted in his first book for St. Martin's Press titled, The Mysterious Valley (Sept 1996) which is in a fourth printing. His second book, Enter the Valley, already in its second printing, continues his compelling investigation into documented UFO reports, unusual animal deaths, Native American legends, crypto zoology, secret military activity and the folklore found in the world's largest alpine valley.

The NORAD Event

The NORAD Event in the San Luis Valley (south-central) Colorado was actually a series of events over a six-week period (including reports of two green, two blue, one white and two orange fireballs, two orange orbs, two mystery fires, mysterious booms, a flurry of Bigfoot reports, a documented unusual cattle death and many reports of accompanying military-esque activity) that began on the night of November 30, 1993, at 6:05 p.m., and continued until the early evening of January 17, 1994.

The height of these events occurred during the afternoon of January 12, when a NORAD official contacted the Rio Grande Sheriff's office at 3:40 p.m., and reported "a significant explosion" logged at 2:55 p.m., in the Greenie Mountain-Rock

Creek Canyon area by a NORAD satellite scope operator in Cheyenne Mountain. Exactly two hours later, at 4:55 pm, Florence, County, resident Lt. Col. Jimmy Lloyd (ret.), a 30-year veteran fighter pilot and self-professed UFO sceptic reported seeing "a battleship-sized," glowing green group of "six or seven objects in close (crescent) formation" streak overhead just south of him that appeared to "go down into the San Luis Valley."

According to Lloyd, the objects were not mundane celestial objects, i.e., meteors, or any type of conventional craft, or missile and were completely silent. This effect-first, fireball-later aspect appears to have had the same two-hour time lag characteristic of the explosions and fireballs heard and seen in the Gallup Incident. Going with the questionable assumption that all these objects were under intelligent control, (no aspect of the newspaper accounts or witness reports from either event suggests that they were) maybe in this January 12 event, for the sake of argument, the fireballs decided to arrive together, more inconspicuously, instead of separately over several hours as in 1983. Could the significant explosion which NORAD detected have been the heat signature of the tight formation of objects as they swept into the Mysterious Valley two hours later?

The fireball jockeys must have fig-

ured out how to silence the boom part. The NORAD Event made no apparent noise. There were several curious reports of "booms" but they did not occur as the primary focus as in the Gallup case.

At noon on December 9, 1993, five witnesses in two houses about a mile apart reported a localized sound like "something huge hitting the ground." Unsubstantiated reports of explosions were reported between January 13 and 15 in the Rock Creek Canyon area, on the northern side of the Greenie Ridge portion of Greenie Mountain. These booms did not appear to occur in conjunction with any of the other "fireballs" that were reported in the six-week period.

Portions of north-central Texas heard several loud boom-like noises on the afternoon of January 20. Could these reports be significant, or were they just another bunch of noisy Texans?

Aerial craft or helicopter sightings and rumours about ground activity were present at both the Gallup Incident and the NORAD Event, combined with probable misdirection by the government. Maj. McCouch, FEMA supervisor of the NORAD scope operator, may have given Brian Norton misdirection's to search a rugged area nearly 25 miles from the probable impact site. Was this to allow a military search of Greenie Ridge with the B-52s



and helicopters reported the following four days?

Heavy-equipment and snowshoe tracks were reported by two UFO Institute members who also claim to have stumbled on huge "metal doors" in the ground a week after the NORAD story broke. (*The area is dotted with closed up, abandoned mine shafts.*)

To my knowledge, there is no verifiable evidence of a retrieval operation in either the Gallup Incident or the NORAD Events. Perhaps some other agenda was at work.

Eyewitness accounts, 11 years apart, are similar. Sheriff Padilla's description of a "green object" breaking into pieces just before it appeared to crash echoes Al Koon's description of a "green fireball" breaking apart before appearing to strike the valley floor. Both relate the unusual flights as slowing, making a 45 degree turn and then descended straight down towards the ground. Most witnesses of the NORAD fireballs mentioned the long duration of the sighting. This was repeated by Padilla and Undersheriff Jack Graham in their observation of the objects near Gallup.

As usual, more questions are raised than answers. What are these fireballs? Are these the same type of fireballs that have been seen periodically in the southwest since the 1960s? Who, i.e., what agency, or group is conducting flights in and around the sites of these unexplained occurrences? How many unknown witnesses are there to the known events and do these known events represent the full-scope of the localized phenomena? Were the preceding booms and the two-hour later fireballs related? Were the Bigfoot sightings related?

January 15, 6:30 p.m., Capulin:

As the glow of the setting sun faded, three Capulin residents: Jonas Archuleta, Clint Valdez and Randall Trujillo, were walking downtown. One looked up to see, hovering above, two bright orange globes. "They hovered for two to three minutes over 'Cap' (Capulin) and at first they were pretty high

and they looked just like two orange streetlights. Then they seemed to get closer. Man, when they took off it was like a streak! They went across the valley and disappeared over Romeo," Archuleta told me. "It was pretty freaky, one of the guys was pretty scared about it and swore he would go to church every day!"

Several minutes later, Chama rancher, Dale Vigil observed "a very bright orange light," west of San Luis. According to Vigil, who was on his way to watch the local high-school basketball team, the light hovered for several minutes. It was then joined by a second "bright orange light," and both lights "shot straight up and out of sight. There is no way those were planes or helicopters, they moved too fast." Vigil claims he and a friend had observed a similar light two weeks before, "around New Year's" over the San Luis Hills, which are located in the south-central valley, between San Luis, and Capulin.

A source close to the NORAD Event told me in March, 1994, that a newly-promoted captain, in her third trimester of pregnancy, was found dead in her garage of carbon-monoxide poisoning, two-weeks after the NORAD phone-call to Undersheriff Norton. A note was allegedly left but no death notice was carried by local papers. I hit a brick-wall trying to corroborate the source's claim.

Then, in April 1995, almost a year later, an unexpected source turned up. I was asked by Timothy Green Beckley to speak at the first annual Pikes Peak UFO Conference. I was scheduled to follow abduction investigator, Budd Hopkins, one of Ufology's most eloquent speakers, keynote address. Later that day a NORAD employee introduced himself. I mentioned the NORAD captain's alleged suicide, hoping he could confirm it. "One death?" he asked. "There were three!" He went on to tell me of two additional suspicious base suicides. He insinuated that the three deaths might be related. My initial NORAD source had also hinted that the pregnant captain's death might be related to the Event call made to the sheriff's office. What could be so secretive to warrant death?

When "Varied Directions," a film production company contracted by Ted Turner's TNT network to produce a UFO documentary, told me they were planning a trip to NORAD to cover the NORAD Event, I told the producer the rumours about the suspicious deaths. NORAD initially granted permission for the film crew to visit the secret base at Cheyenne Mountain. When it was revealed that they were interested in the NORAD Event, their visit was promptly cancelled.

Varied Directions was the first film crew allowed aboard a Trident submarine to produce a documentary on the sub for the PBS program Nova. They had also worked with NASA on a documented history of the space-race, called Moon shot. This is a well-connected production company. But even with these impressive credentials, permission was rescinded by NORAD, without explanation, to film inside Cheyenne Mountain.

Prior to the NORAD event during a seven-day period, from the last week of December, into the first week of January, seven "Bigfoot" encounters were reported to local authorities. The encounters were all reported within a seven-mile area. Because of the locals' reluctance to go on record, I've not pinpointed the exact location of these events. These locals seem very protective of the occasionally seen "Bigfoot," not to mention their own privacy. The following events were related to me by an undersheriff.

Several days before, a niece of the undersheriff called to tell him that "she had found some tracks that he'd better come look at." She described them as being huge, human-looking, barefoot tracks. Not taking it too seriously, he didn't immediately investigate. On the morning of the 31st January, he followed her to the remote location with a video camera to document the scene. He wished he had gone out the day she called, for what she showed him was incredible.

Descending for hundreds of yards down a cow trail were two sets of human-looking tracks. One measured 20 inches, the other 18 inches long. They descended over a variety of terrain: rocks, snow and

bare ground. They were unmistakable. One of the larger prints was so pristine that "you could see toenail marks!" I have seen the footage of these tracks, and visited the site and there is no mistaking the classic Bigfoot tracks. Shaquile O'Neal would be the smaller one's baby brother. Shaq has a size 20 foot, these tracks were a size 35 to 40!

The undersheriff's niece also related a strange story. On the eve of discovering the tracks, she had heard her dog bark furiously outside. She went out to see why he was barking, when she heard what sounded like 'heavy footsteps go running by the house.' Outside, she found her dog cowering inside the fenced yard. The dog had been locked out of the yard. She put him back outside the fence. A short time later, he started barking again, and once more she heard the heavy running footsteps and "a twang of something hitting the barb wire fence." She went back outside and found her dog shaking inside the fence again!

The following morning, while stalking a herd of deer to take photos, she happened to stumble on the giant barefoot tracks. She called her uncle to report the possible encounter and the tracks.

The undersheriff related several other recent reports. One found a mother and son driving back from the mountains just after sunset. As they rounded a curve, their headlights revealed a creature covered in hair with large glowing eyes and pointed ears in the middle of the road. The mother slammed on her brakes. Not knowing what to do, the thing was blocking their way, she put the car in reverse and backed up. This evidently scared the thing, for "it dropped down on all fours and ran away like a dog!"

They proceeded directly to the sheriff's office to report what they had seen. According to the undersheriff, "They were real upset about it." This impressed the authorities enough for them to mount a search for the creature. They combed the hills but found no sign of the creature.

One interesting correlation to the

above, during this same two-day period, a Washington State man reported seeing a Bigfoot with large pointed ears and wings near Mount Rainier.

Two additional reports were subsequently filed by motorists who had spotted large hairy humanoid creatures, at night, next to the highway. One report was made by a trucker who claimed the one he saw was "all white." Yet another report was filed by a man who claimed he witnessed a pair of Bigfoot "stalking a herd of elk" on the side of a mountain. He was close enough to see them "signalling to each other" while watching them through his binoculars.

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There are those who will read this and suggest what we have here is nothing more than a naturally-occurring phenomenon and that the lights in the sky are no more than the tail end of a meteor shower. I have been fortunate to sky watch in some of the USA's more remote regions and without the constant reflections from street and city lights the night sky is certainly a different place. You can actually see the Milky Way sprawling across the sky like a pearl carpet and shooting stars are everywhere.

However the individual accounts differ from describing 'shooting stars' but yet they all seem similar enough to be consistent. The NORAD involvement could be nothing more than the recording of a 'bolide meteorite' breaking the earth's atmosphere at supersonic speeds and creating the inevitable sonic boom as the air around it is superheated and compressed. However, the descriptions recalled here from the witnesses suggest something more than a meteor or fireball was what they observed. As for the accounts of strange creatures brings other areas of interest into the accounts of that time period.

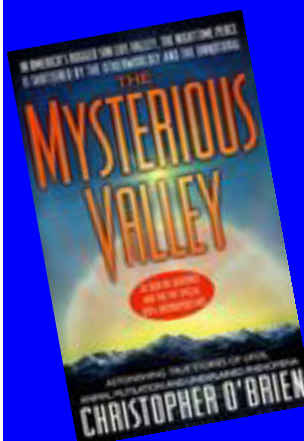
One thing worth remembering is that when American farmers started to report strange deaths and mutilations to their cattle and horses it was in the San Luis Valley where the reports were first recorded.

As for the unaccounted alleged three suicides surrounding the case I think we have to put this down to pure speculation as the only witnesses to these events were the victims themselves thus fuelling the conspiracy theorists to reach their own conclusions.

There is much information surrounding these events and as a UFO incident it has many things unfortunately the one missing item is film or photographic evidence.

In today's world where most mobile phones have a camera built into them and most upright walking species seem to own such equipment is it not surprising that tales of remote encounters with big hairy creatures seem to be in decline or has Bigfoot gotten wise to the fact that everyone and his mother is now able to take an instant photo or video of their chance meeting?

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You can hear Chris online at The Mysterious Valley Website.
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His book The Mysterious Valley can be found at Amazon .com

Issue One of UFO DATA Report dedicated several pages to the events of December 1980 at the twin bases of Woodbridge and Bentwaters when for three nights US air force security police witnessed strange events in the night sky, events that have become known as 'The Rendlesham Forest Incident'



Peter Robbins.
Co-author 'Left at East Gate'

At the time of publishing Peter had been on a book tour of the UK and was unable to comment in that particular issue due to travel etc. In fact he was photographed (above) with Philip Mantle and myself at our local hostelry 'The Holiday Inn Garforth' and can be seen in a studious pose, probably thinking 'how on earth do they get the beer this warm'. In fact Peter is a good friend and associate of UFO DATA and his comments are always welcome.

Some Thoughts on The History Channel's Recent Documentary, "Britain's Roswell"
By Peter Robbins

I am an investigative writer who was a consultant to and appeared in the recent History Channel documentary, "Britain's Roswell," the latest instalment in their "UFO Files" series. Its subject is England's 1980 Rendlesham Forest UFO incident, the best-known and best documented UFO event in the history of Great Britain. The program was made for The History Channel by Chicago based Towers Productions and first broadcast in the States on December 17; it aired in the UK a few weeks later. Upon considera-

tion, I must register my deep disappointment with the show's significant inaccuracies, and in the manner they chose to portray the account of one of the eyewitnesses, Larry Warren. Warren and I co-wrote a book entitled *Left At East Gate: A First-Hand Account of the Rendlesham Forest UFO Incident, Its Cover-up and Investigation*. In its favour, the documentary maintains first rate production values throughout, just as you'd expect in any History Channel feature. But "Britain's Roswell" does not play fair. These are some of my key objections to the show:

Four out of the five times that author Georgina Bruni appears on camera, the words "Georgina Bruni, Author, You Can't Tell the People" appropriately appear below her name. On the two occasions I appear on camera, the words "UFO researcher" appear below my name. Why haven't I been accorded the same professional courtesy extended to Georgina, the same courtesy any published author would be extended on camera? Why else would this particular "UFO researcher" have been asked to participate in this program if not for my longstanding involvement with this case, and that I co-wrote a book on the subject?

Why is Larry Warren never identified as one of the authors of *Left At East Gate*? On camera he is only identified as "Former Airman, Witness." This is especially puzzling as *Left At East Gate* remains the only book on the subject ever written (or co-authored by) an actual Rendlesham witness. *Left At East Gate* is never identified or referred to in any part of "Britain's Roswell," despite assurances Producer DiGangi had given me to the contrary. Why exclude all references to this book?

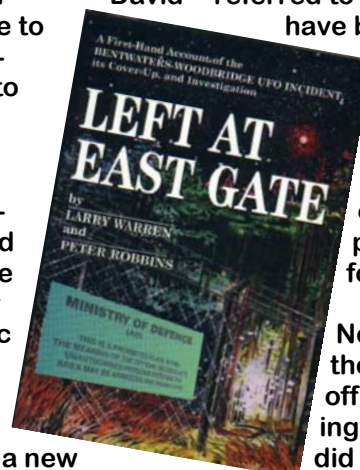
The segment prior to that focusing on Warren's involvement and veracity ends with the narrator saying, "For three years the public is kept in the dark about what happened at the air bases. Then in 1983, a new witness surfaced with a startling

claim about the UFO encounter." Such irresponsible and misleading words only lead the viewer to understand that witnesses Penniston, Burroughs and Halt had already gone public when "new witness" Larry Warren "surfaced" in 1983. Nothing could be further from the truth. Larry Warren was the first and only eyewitness with the courage and conviction to make their account public – years before any of the other witnesses. To the best of my knowledge this fact is not in any contention, even among the other witnesses.

The narrator informs us that "Warren, like Charles Halt and Jim Penniston, recalls seeing a glowing craft in the clearing of the Rendlesham woods shortly after Christmas 1980, but Larry Warren is the only airman who claims he saw alien life forms." This is not true. Quoting Georgina Bruni from *You Can't Tell the People*, a book the producer received months prior to the documentary's deadline, "In January 2001 I talked to a witness who until then had been reluctant to discuss the entities he had seen at the landing site. Only if I promised not to mention his name in connection with this, would he oblige. ... These beings had moved out from the landed object and appeared to be surrounded by a surge of electrical energy. Although he could not describe them accurately because they were almost translucent in form, he was able to conclude that they were human looking, like us he said. According to the witness, nobody was prepared to talk about this aspect of the incident. Another person who mentioned entities was Sergeant Bobby Ball. Although his face was blacked out and he was referred to only as Sergeant B, I have been able to identify Ball

as the man who told Chuck DeCaro on the CNN Special Assignment programme, that 'we saw flying objects containing maybe other people or another life form.'"

Next we learn "Warren then watches as a senior officer begins communicating with the beings." Where did this statement come from? Larry never made it



during his Suffolk, UK interview with Producer David DiGangi, nor has he ever made such a claim.

We're told "Warren recalls being taken against his will by men in dark suits, then being led to an underground facility on the base." Very misleading. Warren was chemically subdued by an individual who sprayed an aerosol container in his face. This caused him to lose major motor functions, collapse, and be loaded into the back of a vehicle, very much against his will. He was then driven to a building with an elevator into which he was dragged; the elevator then descended. It is completely inappropriate to characterize such horrendous treatment as being "led."

The voiceover goes on to say "Another problem with Warren's version of events is that no one can recall seeing him in the woods on the night in question." This is underscored by Charles Halt: "No one ever recalls seeing him being out there that night. I've talked to all the players, and just about everybody that was on even the fringes, and nobody remembers seeing Larry anywhere, except around the base in training." The unpublished epilogue I turned over to the producer on August 5 contained statements he was free to use or to investigate, statements from uncontested military witnesses confirming Larry Warren's presence in the forest the third night. The most explicit of these was from Greg Battram, a former 81st Security Police Specialist who'd been assigned to D Flight along with Warren that night. Greg wrote to Larry: "I know you were out in that forest 'cause I saw you out there."

Sergeant Adrian Bustinza is shown, mentioned and referred to several times during the documentary, but never in any relationship to Larry Warren. Adrian remembers Larry as present that night: they drove out to the area in the same truck and were standing next to each other when the craft appeared in the field. Viewers could have read about this in Larry's and Adrian's own words if "Britain's Roswell" had included a reference to Left At East Gate.

"After the story breaks," relates the narrator, "Warren's accusations

infuriate other witnesses." Witness John Burroughs tells us that "Something really did happen to us, but there's no way, the way he was describing what happened to us, and it wasn't fair to the people who were involved to have that kind of extreme stuff come out." The event Burroughs had been involved in occurred on the first night. Larry Warren was involved the third night. Burroughs was in the general area on the third night, but not in the farmer's field when and where "the extreme stuff" transpired. As Charles Halt told Larry and me when we met with him on February 16, 1993, "There were only five people past that point, except when Burroughs, I think, came forward. You had to have been well behind us, at least a hundred, two hundred yards, when you saw the object."

Larry Warren blew the whistle on the Rendlesham Forest incident in 1982, years before the others had come forward with their accounts. The incident-related information which Larry gave to then-Coventry, Connecticut Police Lieutenant (and UFO investigator) Larry Fawcett, included the names Charles I. Halt, John Burroughs and Jim Penniston. Are "Warren's accusations" the reason these other witnesses are "infuriated?" Or are their opinions of him coloured by his having ufologically outed them more than twenty years ago? The fact remains that none of these witnesses were at the same location as Larry on the third night. As such, they have no more right to pass judgment on what he says he saw or experienced than he has a right to correct or judge their UFO-related observations or experiences.

It is not every day that a respected television network offers us the possibility of an even-handed documentary on UFOs. What a shame to see another such opportunity wasted, especially when it's about a vitally important UFO incident marking its twenty fifth anniversary. The producer of "Britain's Roswell" should have treated each of the witnesses the same but he chose not to. Charles Halt and John Burroughs were invited to comment on Larry Warren's account and on his involvement, but Larry was never invited to comment on theirs. He was treated differently than the

other witnesses and that is not right. Producer David Gigangi owes Larry Warren an apology, and by extension, so do The History Channel and Towers Productions, Inc.

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The conspiracy theorists amongst us will read into this as 'another one of those cases'. But I really feel for Peter and Larry here. There is more to this story. The original publication of 'Left at East Gate' ended up with Peter and Larry, although producing a big-selling title world wide, making zero bucks for their hard work. The publishing house went under and hundreds of copies of the book 'that people were screaming out to buy' were simply unavailable. It has taken several years to get the book back under the rightful control of the authors.

Larry is a character, we all know that, but without Larry the story might well still be files away in some Air force grey cabinet never to see the light of day again.

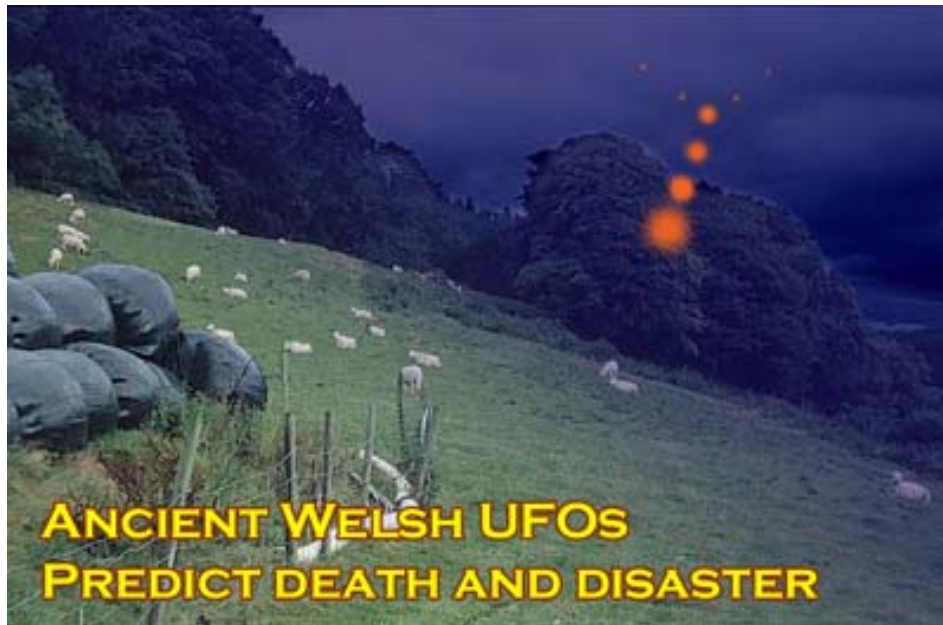
My personal feelings regarding the media when things like this happen are these.

If we have a piece of iffy video tape taken by a guy with a Dan Dare ray gun then the media will give him or her a shot at glory. Jaime Maussan's well suspect Aug 1996 video is a perfect example. It's shown on all UFO programmes.

Rendlesham gets difficult. It's a great story with some great players but as long as we can still in the back of our minds think that just maybe a lighthouse was responsible for the UFOs it makes great TV and no one agency can be accused of any one thing. It might be mistaken identity, but if we start to promote the bizarre and alieny stuff then some official body will have to get really involved and have to answer difficult questions.

I might be mistaken here but am I right in thinking everyone who took part in the documentary was retired or had left the military. OK, Nick Pope still works for the MOD but he is known to be active in the UFO subject but not in an official capacity. So why didn't the programme makers go to the military of today and ask questions about Rendlesham, or go to the Suffolk Constabulary and see what they know.

I'm sure viewers would have enjoyed watching official spokespeople squirm their way into denial of a UFO incident that actually happened. It's on the record signed by Deputy Col Halt. The one piece of evidence that can't be denied.



Many commentators suggest UFO sightings are the stuff of science fiction and as such it would be a reasonable assumption that they are modern phenomena.

But this is not necessarily the case. In Welsh folklore, for example, there are examples of "tan-we", strange lights which would come down from the heavens and land near houses where people were doomed to die.

Once strongly believed in in Wales were Corpse Candles (Cannwyllau Corff), supernatural lights said to appear in the homes of the dying or be seen floating down country lanes at night, making their way to the parish burial ground along the same route subsequently taken by a funeral.

One year the area around Barmouth became famous for mysterious lights in the sky - what today we might call UFOs, but which the inhabitants back then considered death omens. The Barmouth lights achieved a lot more attention than the usual stories because they coincided with a major religious revival.

In 1905 national newspaper reporters descended on the seaside town - cynically, no doubt, expecting to write about a bunch of superstitious peasants in the back of beyond. But many returned to London impressed with the UFO-like phenomena described by reliable witnesses. Of these, there are two well-attested accounts of sightings of mysterious lights which, in both cases, appeared to predict a

death. In the first a party of people walking on the south side of the Mawddach estuary saw a strange light at the ferry house of Penrhyn. One description has it that the light appeared to be inside the cottage and shining through the windows; the other that it shone outside the house and was similar in appearance to the glow of a bonfire. At any rate, the light had vanished by the time they reached the ferry house.

When they returned to Barmouth, they learnt people there had seen the light, too. A few nights afterwards, the man who lived at the cottage fell into the estuary at high tide while stepping off a boat, and drowned.

The second incident took place that same winter. Lights were seen dancing in the air by people on both banks of the estuary. At Borthwyn or Borthwnog - depending on which account you read - many people gathered to watch the lights.

After a while all but one of them disappeared. This one descended to a little bay where some boats were moored, and some men in a sloop which was anchored there also saw it. The light hovered over one particular boat and then vanished. Days later the man to whom that boat belonged drowned in Barmouth harbour.

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UFO DATA

Quite a number of years ago I had received a phone call from a resident of a caravan park located in one of West Yorkshires natural beauty spots.

Home to the showjumping family made famous by father and champion horseman Harvey Smith in the 1970's Baildon Moor is a bleak place at worst or a beautiful place at its best. The high moors sprawl for miles to the west of Bradford, heading out over Ilkley moor and Shipley Glen.

The area is steeped with folklore and not too many miles away is the quaint hamlet that was Cottingley, home to the Cottingley Fairies at the turn of the century.

I digress but the phone call came from an elderly lady who told me of watching UFOs for several nights from her moorland caravan.

I went to visit the lady with a colleague. On arrival the kettle was on and a nice pot of tea made for a comfortable setting for the story to unfold.

Our host was actually the mother of the park owner and quite elderly, but fit as a fiddle as country folk normally are. She went on to tell us that as a girl at the turn of the century her and her pals used to take a jug of tea up onto the moor of a night time and watch the fairy lights. She insinuated that the girls in Cottingley were not the only ones seeing little people. Although there was no talk of doom and gloom associated with the sightings I thought it warranted a mention after seeing these accounts from Wales.

Our host showed me a strange photograph during our visit.

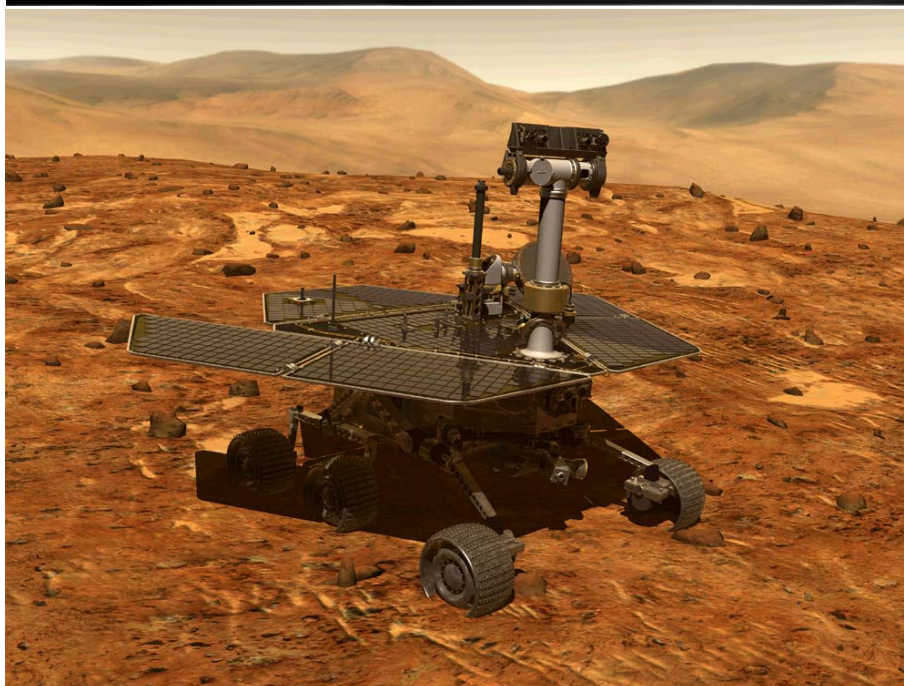
It was a picture of her grand daughter (who was present) standing at a five bar gate at the entrance to the caravan park. It was well-lit and colourful. Behind the girl though was a dark figure that I can only describe as a spectre.

Weird to say the least. This would be mid 1990's and there was no suggestion of computers being used or anything like that.

DOES MARS ROVER HAVE COMPANY?



The image is a 240 deg apx Fisheye view from the Rover. Look carefully right of centre horizon and you can see two dark specs in the distance. The blow up shows little detail but there are no dead pixels visible anywhere else on the image so why should the anomalies be an image fault, as I'm sure the sceptics will be quick to volunteer. Is it a case of 'Us watching them watching us watching them'...



The Mars Rovers continue to work long after their expected production life, you might wonder where the continued funding comes from ? (The mission has lasted double its estimated time so you might think the cost of manning the mission will have escalated similarly).

Nobody doubts that extremely valuable data is still being collected but what if there was another reason for pouring millions of dollars into a mission that has long since accomplished what it was originally intended to do?

Dr Richard Sauder (author Underground Bases and Tunnels and Undersea Bases) keeps a sharp eye on things ufological and recently spotted some anomalies in a NASA released photograph on the Mars Mission website. (See above)

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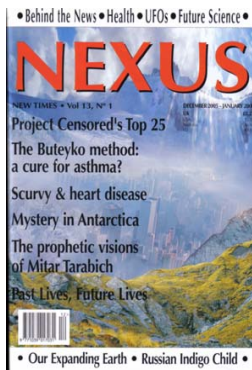
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Conspiracy

Almost everybody loves a good conspiracy story. Such tales are bread and butter for thriller and adventure writers the world over and shift millions of copies of fiction every year. But what about true-life conspiracies? What has caused the massive upsurge in the popularity of conspiracy theories in recent years?

It has often been said that the best conspiracies are the ones we know nothing about. After all, what good is a conspiracy that is common knowledge? However, we cannot talk about something of which we know nothing (although many might argue that point!), so we shall continue.

To begin with, it should be noted that conspiracies have been around for as long as humans have walked the Earth. No doubt Caveman Ugg conspired with his mates to take the credit for Caveman Agg's discovery of fire, but it was with the advent of civilisation that conspiracies began to hit the headlines, so to speak. When ancient city-states began to spring up, their rulers often found themselves at the sharp end of ambitious conspirators. Who can forget Julius Caesar's demise at the hands of Brutus and his chums?

It was in modern times, though, that the cult of the conspiracy theorist began to really take off. Arguably, it all began on a sunny, November day in Dallas, Texas in 1963, when the presidential motorcade of John Fitzgerald Kennedy made its way through Dealey Plaza. Shots rang out. People screamed. The president was hit. Thus began a series of events that would perpetuate the most famous conspiracy theory of our time.

It would be pointless to retread all the angles of the JFK assassination, as almost everybody knows the main theories: the lone gunman, the CIA, the FBI, the military/industrial complex, the Cubans/Soviets, even aliens. Almost everybody has had the finger pointed at them over the four dec-

ades since that winter's morning. That the official report by the Warren Commission was met with such scepticism by many only bolsters the conspiracy in many quarters. But the theories persist and this makes the murder of JFK the quintessential conspiracy theory of our time.

Since then, the conspiracy theory has become a part of everyday life. These days, every national and international tragedy births a whole new set of theories, be it the death of Diana – Princess of Wales, the 9/11 terrorist attacks, even the Asian Tsunami of 2004. There is one factor that has fuelled the conspiracy network more than any other – the internet.

Countless millions of people across the globe have access to the internet and it has become a fast and easy way to get your views and opinions shared with a worldwide audience. No matter how

far-out or wacky your theory may be, there are those who will agree with you. There will also be an equal or greater number who will vociferously disagree, of course.

So, why is the conspiracy theory such big business? Why do we love to hear them? Is it because, deep down, we have a natural distrust of government and/or authority?

That may actually be closer to the truth than you realise. The modern conspiracy web formed in the sixties, at the height of Flower Power and the Vietnam War. Young people in America had become disillusioned with their government's foreign policy in SE Asia and the peace marches and demonstrations that occurred were unprecedented in the short history of the United States. Never before had so many voiced their dissatisfaction of their leaders' decisions and America was shaken to its very core.

With the resignation (and subsequent pardoning) of President Nixon in 1974 after the Watergate Scandal, the public's malcontent with public office was complete. Never again would the office of President of the United States of America be a symbol of freedom and democracy. Instead, we would see the decline of public trust in elected officials gather pace.

Some have suggested that this decline culminated with the election of George W Bush in 2000, the Floridian hanging chads' and a Supreme Court ruling handing victory to Bush over the man whom had been declared winner only hours earlier, Al Gore (who garnered more votes than Bush, but still lost due to the Electoral College system).

Then came the first disaster of the internet age – the attack on New York and Washington of September 11th, 2001. With the destruction of the World Trade Centre's Twin Towers and the Pentagon severely damaged, within hours conspiracy theorists had set up websites declaring that the hijacked passenger jets had been flown by remote control or that the Twin Towers had been deliberately toppled from within or that it had been a missile that had struck the Pentagon. The lists were endless.

It certainly didn't help that the Bush government immediately lashed out and invaded Afghanistan, toppling the Taliban government, but failing to catch (to this day!) the leader of the terrorists accused of the attacks, Osama Bin Laden. Then Iraq was blamed for being an ally of Al Qaeda, even though we now know that the US (in the form of the CIA) has more links with that terrorist organisation than Iraq has ever had.

The 9/11 'movement' is gathering pace and there are countless websites and newsletters that explain in graphic details how these terrible atrocities were not only allowed to happen, but may have actually been planned years in advance. George W Bush was so rattled by the theories that he even mentioned in a speech that followed the tragedy that 'outrageous conspiracy theories should not be tolerated'.

The thing about conspiracies, though, is that they *do* exist. Everybody knows this. From Guy Fawkes' conspiracy to blow up Parliament, to the notorious Operation Northwoods, in which the US military had plans to destroy American aircraft and blame it on Cuba, to the Iran-Contra Scandal, conspiracies are part and parcel of modern politics, warfare and espionage.

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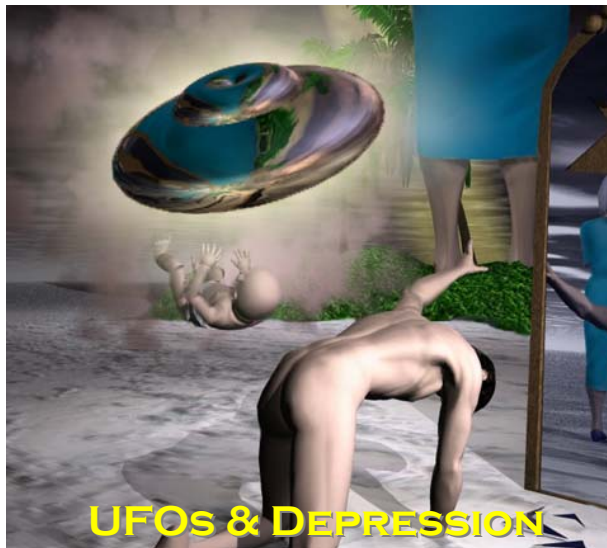
Conspiracy theories could be said to come in several forms. There are the minor conspiracies (although those involved might argue), which might include things like a newspaper setting up a public figure or celebrity to provoke a scandal (as recently happened with the England head coach, Sven Goran Eriksson). Then there are the middle range of conspiracies, which, while popular, do not really affect our everyday lives, such as conspiracies about governmental liaisons with extraterrestrials or even the JFK assassination. Then there are the major conspiracies. These are the ones that *do* affect people, such as the conspiracy to send troops into Iraq based on false intelligence that led to a war that has cost hundreds of thousands of lives. Then there was the Enron scandal, in which a group of conspirators within the upper echelons of the company set out to defraud its investors by making false profit reports. The company collapsed and thousands of people were robbed of their life savings. These events happened. They are not conspiracy theories. They are true conspiracies. A person or persons actually conspired to make these events occur in the hope that they could get away with it.

What angers many conspiracy theorists is that even when their theories become facts, they are still labelled as oddballs or troublemakers, but the truth is that today's conspiracy theory could become tomorrow's breaking news headline.

So, who are these conspiracy theorists? Are they simply sad and lonely individuals, ensconced in darkened rooms, grinding their axes? Far from it (although I have no doubt that a few are...). Conspiracy theorists come in all shapes and sizes, from government officials, to military personnel, to the average bloke in the street who just wants to find out what the hell is going on. The same can be said for conspirators.

One thing's for certain, as long as there are people walking this planet, there will be conspiracies and conspiracy theories for years to come.

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Extraterrestrial UFOs normally operate under the great influence of electromagnetic flux. They use the change in electromagnetic fields between the induced one and that of the earth to propagate, navigate, deactivate gravity of the earth in a local area and create stealth in 3-D.

If you really want to know if an extraterrestrial UFO is really near you, look at the animals and yourself. It is now scientifically proven that super high intensity of electromagnetic flux makes all living beings depressed. Our living soul is electromagnetic energy and it cannot tolerate an influence of an external very high intensity of electromagnetic flux that is uncontrolled by our soul. So all living beings become depressed and the thinking process gets difficult in the presence of extraterrestrial UFOs. When you find all animals are lethargic and you also feel the same, the possibilities are very high that one or more UFOs are near by. Scientists and UFO researchers are ever anxious to find if there are ways to find if extraterrestrial UFOs are around before being able to observe any signs with human eyes. Those who research with UFOs in many different countries have recently noted some very interesting observations.

UFOs use electromagnetic flux for armour at the first level and second level stealth. When the UFO comes out of the wormhole for a very little time it is stealth-less though armour part of the electromagnetic change in field intensity stays. The first signs of an extrater-

restrial UFO are unusually high changes in electromagnetic field intensity with respect to that of the earth. It is almost like a huge dynamo running and dissipating the energy all over. This is the first indication of an extraterrestrial UFO hovering in the vicinity.

The time taken to put the electromagnetic stealth in place is tiny but still it can be as long as 15 seconds or so.

During this time, it is possible to see glowing flickering lights surrounding the UFOs. When the electromagnetic flux is in full force, the UFO is invisible to all terrestrial technologies. If you are lucky to see an UFO nearby, then watch the lights. If the lights are static, it is terrestrial aircraft. If the lights are glowing and are pulsating in a very smooth sinusoidal manner, it is an extraterrestrial UFO.

If the light is above some kind of water, look for a reflection in the water. Electromagnetic flux is not a light; it is aglow for the change of field intensity with respect to that of earth. Normally the reflections are invisible. If it is visible, it will much less intense than the actual glowing light.



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Hands up those residents of Castleford, Selby & Leeds who thought Monday 30th January 2006 was the start of our own West Yorkshire Alien Invasion.

About 2:45pm I had parked up my car close to my daughter's school in Kippax my home town. We are lucky enough to be surrounded by green open countryside on three sides of our village and we are at one end of the Selby coal fields. I thought I could hear the distinctive 'thud,thud' of a large twin rotor helicopter but imagine my surprise when a giant Chinook helicopter appeared just beyond the houses. It was so low it looked to be scraping the hedgerows of the farmer's fields. Twenty minutes later as I was walking my daughter back to the car, just over the fields about 80-100ft the Chinook flew past us. I reckon at well over 100mph, it was quite a sight. A great photo opportunity, but, alas, no camera, Doh...

For the record Leeds Bradford Airport is about 15 miles away in a straight line and as the highest situated UK Airport it is also home to one of the best instrument landing systems in the country. The military and civil airlines use the airport's hi-tech equipment to calibrate their own onboard systems and the Chinook would have been doing just that.

Mystery of UFOs over Hertford

LOW-flying UFOs have been spotted in the skies above Hertford.

Andrew Porrer, who lives in Bye Road, Bengoe, was returning from London after attending an alumni event for the University of York. As he left Hertford North railway station on Wednesday January 11 at about midnight, he was amazed to see strange low-flying lights speed over his head. The 30-year-old, who works in

Hoddesdon for an IT firm, was baffled by the strange phenomenon.

He said: "I was walking from the station with my wife when I saw two green lights which I can only describe as travelling traffic light moving up the road and towards the bridge in North Road.

"They were about 5m [16ft] above the bridge so I'm pretty sure they weren't low-flying aircraft as some people have suggested. They were fast and silent. "I suppose they were about 20m [66ft] in the air. I couldn't make out any shape. All there was were the lights. My wife saw them, too, so I wasn't hallucinating."

Andrew posted his amazing story on community website Discover Hertford and found that he wasn't alone in spotting unidentified flying objects.

One person who replied to his comments recalled something "weird in the sky before Christmas" near Hertford East station. The "strange light" was much brighter than planes with landing lights on.

Dr David Sutton, editor of the Fortean Times magazine, which has regular coverage of UFO sightings, commented: "What is most intriguing is how low in the sky the lights appeared to be, which would seem to rule out astronomical bodies or aircraft, although the closeness of Stansted Airport should probably not be ignored. "Having said that, atmospheric or weather conditions can often play a part in leading witnesses to misjudge distances in such cases, as we've seen many times.

"Unless some other witnesses saw something in the area on that evening, Andrew's sighting will probably remain unexplained for the time being."

Dangerous UFO Lanterns...

In issue one of UFO DATA Report we ran a short article about a company selling 'bin bag' UFO kits on the internet and how responsible ufologists should avoid the practise of releasing uncontrollable fire bombs into the night sky.

The following was reported recently on a Eastern News site...

Lunar New Year lantern sparks Taiwan airport fire.

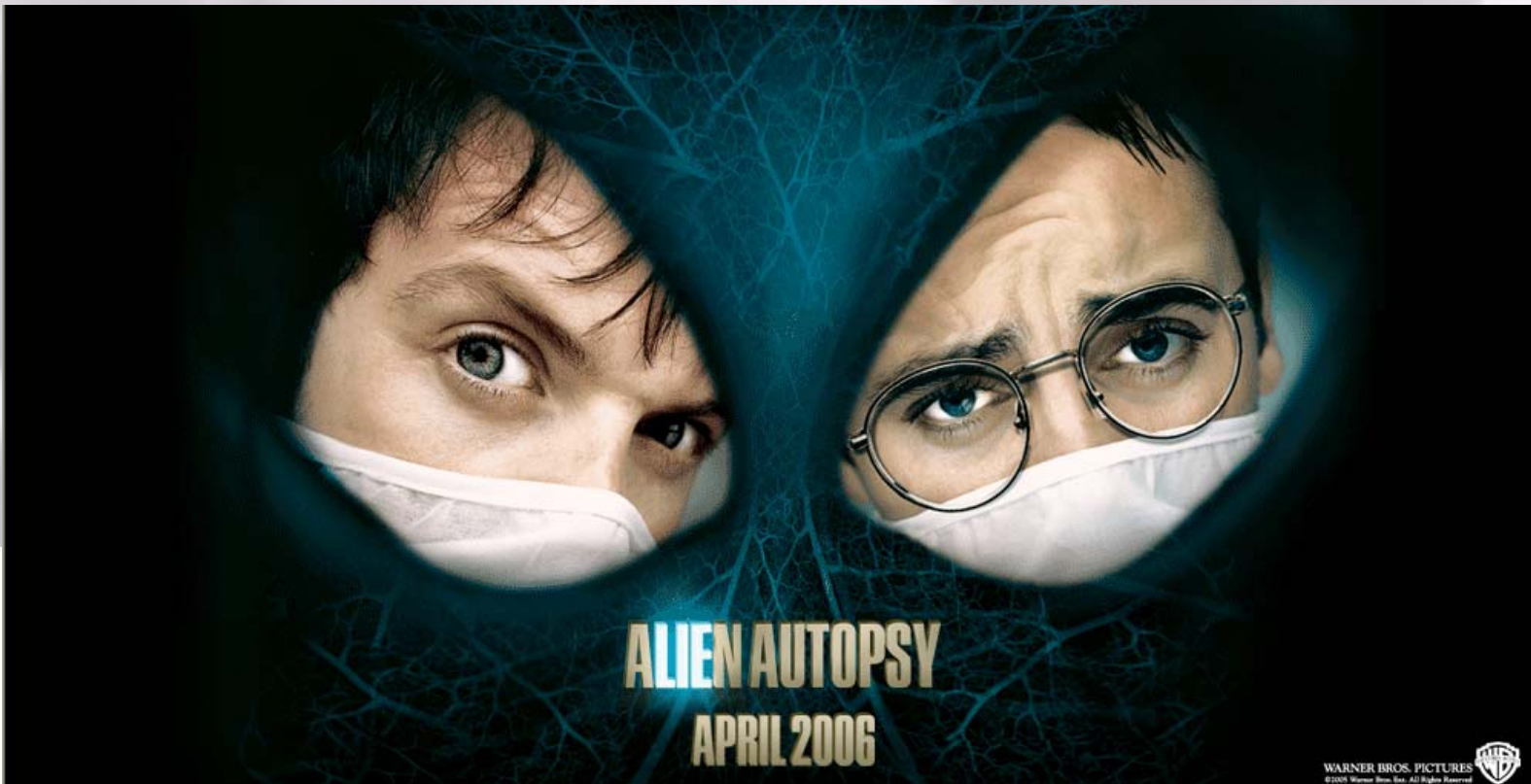
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A hot-air "sky lantern" used to pray for good luck for the new Lunar New Year is the main suspect in the worst fire in 27 years to hit Taiwan's main international airport. The fire, believed caused when a sky lantern landed near a runway, scorched grassland border areas at Chiang Kai-shek International Airport in northern Taiwan late on Sunday, airport authorities said. Passengers aboard arriving or departing flights were treated to a swath of red flames before the airport was forced to close the runway briefly and re-direct several flights. There were no injuries or serious damage. Many Taiwan people celebrate the Lantern Festival, the 15th day of the Lunar New Year, which fell on Sunday this year, by writing their New Year wishes on the paper lanterns and releasing them into the sky. Hundreds, perhaps thousands, of sky lanterns were flying around the island.

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'Oh no' I hear the ufologists crying, 'not another send up of the UFO phenomenon'. Well the guy behind the Alien Autopsy movie was responsible for such (*aimed at an American 'no real sense of humour'*) cinematic delights as 'Johnny English', not impressed, well Warner Bros have pumped £15.000,000 into the project, probably thought it was dollars they were spending which in all fairness by Hollywood standards might just get you the trailer for King Kong but don't despair just yet.

Our dynamic 'Geordie' duo are accomplished actors and the storyline is well known to most ufologists who are not the best critics to aim a film like this at. Take a look at the trailer, I enjoyed what I saw.

If the end result has the media jackals (who jumped in feet first when Ray Santilli offered the 'alleged' film to all bidders back in 1995) breaking out into a hot sweat and realising what 99% of the rest of the world had always suspected, that this was not even an expensive hoax then the world of ufology has it's result. I can't wait...